

The Baptist Record

"THY KINGDOM COME"

OLD SERIES—VOLUME 64.

Mother's Day Means Much To Orphanage, Says Supt. Mize

Dear Christian Friends:

As you already know, the Orphanage is financed by 6% from the Co-operative Program receipts and special offerings, especially on Mother's Day and Thanksgiving. Since Mother's Day is going to be upon us in a few days we thought it best to call this matter to your attention. Inasmuch as these special days have been authorized by the Mississippi Baptist Convention they should be regarded as a part of our regular program for financing the Orphanage.

Mother's Day is a fine institution. Perhaps all of us could approach it with a clearer conscience if we did just a little more for Mother and Motherless children on the other 364 days of the year.

This year as in previous years the church has woven together the day we call Mother's Day with the children at the Orphanage, believing that every true Mother who has slipped away would speak to us and eloquently urge that we make Mother's Day not only beautiful, but useful and practical by expressing the sentiment of our hearts with the gifts of our hands. Every gift which is given, even though it be small, is in reality great, if it be given with affection.

The world of tomorrow goes forward on the feet of little children living today. Your investment in making a Christian home possible for them will pay dividends in a Christian man and woman for the next generation. You can really live on in the life of a child.

With world conditions as they are, we must sorrowfully face the fact that our Orphanage will

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A SOLDIER'S LETTER TO HIS YOUNGER BROTHER

I was glad to get your two cables and to note that everything went well. Thanks for keeping me posted. I am anxious to get a letter so I can know all the details. I was sorry to hear that you are being called in March, because I was in hopes you might be able to finish up at Harvard first. I hope that you will stop at a good place so that you can go back and get your M.A. after the war is over. I certainly want you to.

Well, since you are to be drafted in March, I feel that I ought to give you the advantage of the experiences I had as an enlisted man. You know I was one for a whole year, and made a lot of mistakes I would not have made if someone had tipped me off. You will find, however, that what I am about to tell you is true in life in general as well as in life in the army.

The first thing to remember is to be humble. We have been very fortunate, you and I, for having had the advantage of a wonderful home and a good mother and father, who have given us a fine education. We have never wanted for anything. We

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Jackson, Miss., Thursday, April 22, 1943.

NEW SERIES—VOLUME 45—NO. 12.

Chaplain Tells of Victories of Spirit In Report From Front Lines In New Guinea

"When the men see that the chaplain 'can take it' there is a mutual understanding and confidence not gained in any other way," Chaplain (First Lieutenant) Delbert P. Jorgensen of Comfrey, Minnesota, declares in a report to the chief of chaplains, U. S. Army, telling of battle, death and the victory of the Spirit in the wilds of New Guinea. "The campaign brought us together as never before," Chaplain Jorgensen wrote. "We were one, regardless of rank, and I learned to know the men intimately where I had only a casual acquaintance with them previously."

Chaplain Jorgensen related that he dug graves for the dead, served as pall bearer, and buried them. He worked as litter bearer to evacuate the wounded. He took temporary charge of the personal belongings of the dead and the wounded. Yet he found the spiritual side of his work "of much greater worth." "All I carried with me was a New Testament and Psalms and found it adequate for my essential needs....

"While the troops were in the front lines I found it impossible to hold any type of service for them.... I managed, however, when circumstances permitted, to visit the men in the front lines and there chatted with them individually, trying to instill in them greater faith in God. At times I had to dodge the fire of snipers and machine gun bullets, but God protected me at all times.

"Some of the most joyful and yet saddest moments were spent with men on their death beds. I recall a certain staff sergeant who was not expected to live. He said, 'Chaplain, I have not always lived as I should, but I tried to be a Christian.' 'Do you trust in Christ?' I asked. 'Yes,' was his feeble answer. I then prayed with him. The next morn-

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NEW MISSIONARIES APPOINTED AT HISTORIC DEBT-PAYING MEETING

By J. D. Franks

Mississippi Member, Foreign Mission Board

For the first time in more than forty years the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is out of debt. In his report to the Board in Richmond, Va., April 12-14, the executive secretary, Dr. C. E. Maddry, "joyfully exclaimed: 'The Foreign Mission Board does not owe a dollar in the world!' Under the inspiration of a financial report like that, released from the crushing debt-burden that has been upon the Board for the last ten or twelve years, one can easily understand how this meeting was characterized by a sense of triumph in Christ, optimism, faith and courage. The Foreign Mission Board is 'out of debt' only in a financial sense. It still owes the unpaid debt of love for all peoples which Paul mentions in his letters to the Romans: 'I am debtor both to the Greeks and to the barbarians; both to the wise, and to the unwise.' Like Paul, the Board is determined to carry the gospel, which is the power of God unto salvation, into all the world.

The report of the committee on post-war policies, a report in the making for more than a year, which was the result of the careful thinking of some of the wisest, most practical-minded and

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CIRCULATION THIS WEEK
31,586

\$10,000 Mother's Day Offering For Orphanage

Sparks and Splinters

We are continuing to have results from our Crusade revival at Calvary in Greenwood, in which Bro. J. Erwin Hewlett of Richmond, Ky., preached and led the church into a tithers covenant. Eleven of the twelve deacons and 58 other members have already signed, and we expect to have 100. The first Sunday after the meeting the pastor's salary was raised \$300; the deacons decided to have a monthly deacons' prayer meeting (this was their own suggestion); and plans were made to paint the outside woodwork of the church. We had a fine spiritual meeting and the evangelist did not take it away with him. We had four additions Sunday, three for baptism; this makes 21 in all for the meeting.—Otho A. Eure, pastor.

We had our Crusade revival at the Houston Baptist Church, beginning the 28th of March and running through the 4th of April. We had Ray M. Dykes, co-pastor of the First Baptist Church of Baton Rouge, La., to do the preaching. We had services at the school building each morning before we came to church for our morning worship. We had 17 conversions in the school. Rev. Dykes brought some wonderful messages to our people. The people spoke very highly of Bro. Dykes. I have known him for some time and he is an outstanding preacher of God's Word.—W. C. Stewart, pastor.

Not one penny is assessed upon any church or Sunday school for the Baptist Orphanage. Love for orphan children and concern for their development prompt our people to make free will offerings to this cause. Do not fail to keep this in mind and make your offering on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 9th.

The more we talk about the Orphanage the more money will be contributed when the offering is taken on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 9th. Be a booster for the boys and girls of your own Orphanage.

If you are really interested in the welfare of the children of your Orphanage, let them know of your interest by making a liberal contribution on Mother's Day.

The following children of the Orphanage will celebrate birthdays during the month of May: May 1, Elbert Kethley, age 13; May 2, Clyde Daniels, age 12; May 11, Vera Mae Jenkins, age 19 (high school senior); May 15, Mancel Yarbrough, age 11; May 18, Mildred Floyd, age 14; May 19, Norma Burnside, age 11; May 22, Richard Schmidt, age 3; May 23, Carleen Caples, age 13; May 23, Richard Keethley, age 8; May 24, Louise Lawson, age 15; May 26, Frances Lee Pritchard, age 15; May 28, J. W. Foster, age 9.

Mother's Day, May 9th. Honor your mother on this day by making an offering for the children of the Orphanage.

It is exceedingly appropriate that Mother's Day should be set aside for the children of the Orphanage. Do not fail to make an offering on this day for the support of the boys and girls of this Institution. Should your church, Sunday school or Missionary Society fail to observe this day as a part of their program, you may mail your offering to the Baptist Orphanage, Jackson, Mississippi.

In notifying us that Hinkle Creek had adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan, Pastor W. T. Darling writes, "The Hinkle Creek folks are indeed a great people, and naturally need a great paper—The Baptist Record."

F. W. Gunn has been called as pastor of East Columbia church. He expects to move on the field in a few days.

Calvary church, Jackson: Average weekly offerings for the month of March 1942 were \$1,011.97. While the weekly average for March 1943 was \$1,273.18. This is the largest EVERY FAMILY church in the state.

Myers Park church of Charlotte, North Carolina, has only been organized a few months. The present membership is 352. Every member has made a pledge to the 1943 budget. Seventeen members of this church are in the armed forces of our country. Each one of these has made a pledge to the support of this fast growing church. Mississippi Baptists might read the above and do their best.

HONOR ROLL

The churches listed below have agreed to contribute to the Now Club (or other object of their choice) the amount they would have given to pay their pastor's expenses to the Southern Baptist Convention.

The same is true of individuals listed below:

Duck Hill Baptist Church.
Highland Church, Meridian.
First Church, New Albany.
Newton Baptist Church.
Brookhaven church.
Northside church, Jackson.
A. L. Goodrich.
D. A. McCall.
E. C. Williams.
A. J. Wilds.
Fannie Traylor.
Edwina Robinson.
M. E. Perry.
Bryan Simmons.
J. R. G. Hewlett.
Carolyn Madison.

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Endow a professorship at Blue Mountain.

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Harrisville—James Fairchild of Wesson did the preaching in the Crusade revival, and did it well. The church has taken on new strength. We have had eight members since January 1, five of them for baptism.—O. C. Chance, pastor.

For our Crusade at Sumner March 21-28 we had as preacher, A. D. Muse of Memphis. Brother Muse put in a full week, speaking to the student body at the school house each morning, then preaching at the regular morning hour at the church and again at night. The services were all well attended, in spite of some bad weather. The people were deeply appreciative of the powerful messages brought by Brother Muse. The final service of the meeting was held on Sunday afternoon, when a well filled auditorium heard his inspiring message on "Angels." H. J. Courtney, of the Calvary Baptist Church, Bogalusa, led the congregational singing and conducted the young people's choir to the delight of all. There were two additions for baptism.

As a result of the recent revival meeting at New Albany, Pastor Pierce sends 30 additional names for the EVERY FAMILY list. New Albany now has 256 Record readers.

A new communion table was presented to the New Hope church in Lawrence county by the Woman's Missionary Society of the church, during the series of Crusade revival services. Presentation of the gift was made by Mrs. Dewitt Nelson. D. D. Dunn received it for the church. After reading I Kings 7:51, Pastor M. C. Nelson led in a dedicatory prayer.—Reporter.

A. L. Benton of Swansboro and L. C. Pinnix of Jacksonville are our Baptist pastors serving the marines at Camp LeJeune, as we learned on a recent visit in that vicinity. They have a difficult and challenging task in trying to meet the needs of thousands of men, both marines and civilians, congregated on this eastern seaboard. The prayers and the financial support of our Baptist people must go to the support of this great and needy field. Mr. Pinnix is in the midst of a rapidly growing community at Jacksonville. Mr. Benton, at the other end of the camp area, is serving four churches and doing what he can for the marines. (L. C. Pinnix is Mississippi's own Lucien Pinnix. He is a graduate of Mississippi College. His sister, Mrs. Jane Pinnix Stone, was formerly W. M. U. field worker and later secretary to Dr. McCall.)

A word from the pastor to his people in behalf of the offering to be made to the Orphanage on Mother's Day will be of great assistance. Will you be the pastor who will speak the word?

If every leader will do his or her part in promoting the offering for the Orphanage on Mother's Day this year we will have the biggest offering in our history.

Belzoni church during the first quarter of this year gave more to the denominational causes outside the local church than was given during the whole of the year 1942. Pastor C. A. Molpus is very happy over the offerings which amounted to \$7,786.20, and looks forward to greater things in the future in this fine church.

TEN BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR

J. A. Stewart, Pastor at Clarksdale

Robinson: Redemption and Revelation.

Mould: The World View of Jesus.

Miller: Christian Truth in History.

Oxnam: By This Sign Conquer.

Bulgakov: The Wisdom of God.

Scott: The Nature of the Early Church.

Jefferson: Experience of the Christian Faith.

Horton: Our Eternal Contemporary.

Trueblood: The Logic of Belief.

Glaspell: Norma Ashe (a novel).

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Salem Baptist Church of Lauderdale county has recently called as their pastor, Thomas S. Messer, who is soon to receive his A. B. Degree at Mississippi Southern in Hattiesburg. Salem is one of the old churches in Mississippi, being 106 years old. Pastor Messer will give his full time to Toombsburg, where he has been serving for some time, and Salem, his new church. The two churches are about five miles apart, making a good field for full time work.

Pastor Jas. H. Street of Hazlehurst has the following interesting item in his church bulletin: "The pastor is happy to announce that 89 have signed the titling agreement. Others remain to be heard from who have already agreed to tithe. We feel sure the number will run above one hundred. If anyone is already titling who has not signed a card, or if anyone will begin now, the pastor will be delighted to furnish a card so that we may have a complete record."

At Bethany church in Lauderdale county, on April 11, the school commencement sermon was preached by Tom Douglas. The subject of the sermon was "The Necessity of Clear Vision," and was hailed by the graduates as a message that inspired them to achieve high ideals in the future.—Reporter.

Belzoni church recently ordained John F. Bridges as deacon. This church is making rapid strides in kingdom work under their present leaders. C. A. Molpus is pastor.

Jack Bridges, native Mississippian and graduate of Mississippi College, who has been serving churches in Georgia, has recently become pastor of Lakewood Heights church in Atlanta, Georgia.

Charles L. McKay, former pastor at Flora, and now pastor at Temple Baptist Church, Ruston, La., recently led the Water Tower church of St. Louis, Mo., in a two week revival campaign. D. F. Risk is pastor.

The May issue of the TEACHER has an excellent article by Norman W. Cox, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Meridian. The subject of the article is "We Cannot Choose the Consequences."

The week of special services held in the Webb Baptist Church, April 4 to 9, in connection with the statewide evangelistic campaign, was one of the most helpful meetings held in a number of years. A. E. Pardue, of Magnolia, assisted the pastor and not only brought very helpful and inspiring messages twice each day but added much to the evening services by his gospel solos. The interest in the services grew from day to day, and the morning services in particular were well attended, there being 75 present at the closing service. The last few nights the auditorium was practically filled, and the boys and girls and young people attended in large numbers. There were three received for baptism, and one by letter.—J. H. Pennebaker, pastor.

A Training Union study course was held in the Belzoni church recently, in which books on church membership were taught in each union. About 40 members took the examinations in addition to others attending the classes.—Reporter.

An excellent plan is in operation at the Center Hill church in Monroe county. Supt. Marvin E. Taylor tells how their attendance at Sunday school has increased from around 40 to 129 on a recent Sunday, although one of the bus drivers was unable to make the trip that day. Five school buses have been engaged to bring people from an area of about 10 miles to the Bible study each Sunday. He believes attendance will reach 200. Growing interest and increased offerings are noted at the church. This is a church with the 50% plan of The Baptist Record.

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Pray for the Blue Mountain Endowment campaign.

Thursday, April 22, 1943.

THE BAPTIST RECORD

3.

Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS." I Cor. 13:8b**"They... went everywhere preaching the Word."** Acts 8:4.

I. WHERE DID SHE LEARN IT?

A little girl played in the snow for an hour on Sunday morning. Later, when asked about church going, she replied, "Oh, it is too cold to go to church."

II

A sign on a church building read "Way to Heaven." Another sign on the door read, "Closed for the Summer."

A Sunday school teacher said, "There was a day when I didn't like to go to church as now." What had happened?

Reading comments above the circuit switch and fuses in a church house, it was noted that above the "baptistery" the word "dead" was written, and above the "Nursery" also was the word "dead."

III

Read I Kings, chapter 18.

The efficient plans of men fail without the effectual power of God's Spirit. Christ's witnesses until the end of this current age must feel and know the truth which inspired William Olney to write:

The fire fell
Elijah's prayer prevailed;
And the flame burned its way to Israel's soul!
The backsliding nation turned.
A mightier fire, than the one visible,
In their hearts burned.
The cult of Baal had failed!
"The Lord He is God," Hark to the shout!
As once again faith in God takes control—
Ended the night of doubt.

Again the fire came
In form of tongues, upon disciples' heads;
And they spake words,
Which fell like fiery flakes upon the crowd.
Again the heavenly flame
Of that salvation spreads,
Which only is the Lord's.
Men cried aloud,
And, as before, doubt beat a swift retreat—
Souls flocked to Jesus' feet.

Lord, send that fire once more!
Let the world know
Still on the throne art Thou!
And, as on Carmel and at Pentecost,
Let the flame glow,
Till convinced souls implore
Pardon, and at the cross of Jesus bow.
Let the blest fire of true revival burn—
Thy Spirit lead from sin a mighty host,
Who shall to Jesus turn.

IV

A would-be typist uses the "hunt and peck" system—more "hunt" than anything else.

A real typist—one who has studied and practiced it—one who loves it—plays on all the keys.

The same is true with the two types of pianists. In the church life and in the denominational life we have used the "hunt and peck" system too much.

Through the years field men—evangelists—have frequently held a meeting here, and a meeting there, with much running in between.

In the Statewide Soul Winning Crusade we have at least approximated a spiritual symphony upon the Gospel keyboard.

Again, antiquated, and so far as we know, unscriptural methods have often been used in church and denominational financing.

Do you remember those old church "collection" committees? Thanks to them, they were willing to do it when the folks would not do it the right way.

In the Old Testament the folks "brought it in." In Exodus, chapter 25, 35, 36, they "brought too much."

In the New Testament "they brought it in." Acts 2. Acts 4. I Cor. 16.

We believe the spiritual and scriptural way in Kingdom financing is for the people of God to "bring it in."

Do you suppose we will ever see that done as a denomination? His way!

The season of the Vacation Bible school is just before us. As pastor we felt this was one of our greatest contacts with our young people. We always tried to have a part in it as pastor. What a time we did have with the boys and girls!

Every one of our churches should plan a V. B. S. for the summer. Write Secretary E. C. Williams about it.

We hear many fine reports from the W. M. U. Convention. Women in Christ Jesus are faithful.

We wish for Secretary Wilds and his helpers great success in the coming district B. T. U. Conventions!

VI

The fine spirit of the Enlistment Pastors greatly impressed us in a recent meeting. We faced our problems and plans—talked them through—at the close of the meeting each pledged cooperation. Then we closed in a circle of prayers. Several of these men will "make their mark" on denominational life—it will be a mark of unselfish service for Christ's sake.

A large congregation was present at Oakdale. They plan a V. B. S.

Twenty-five were in the graduating class at Sebastopol, several of them Baptist young people. Fine class.

We stopped by to greet Dr. Johnson and family at Philadelphia. He was sick.

We extended sympathy to the family of Louise Paige.

The Mississippi group at the Southern Seminary met us in a breakfast hour. The largest attendance of the year. Rev. Andrew Coltharp is president.

Rev. Bill Drummond was elected president for another year. Drs. Dobbins and Green were among those present. Great group. We were privileged to have lunch at the Training School with our Mississippi girls and their friends. Mississippi Baptists should bring more of our Seminary students back each year.

Our pastor, Rev. J. L. Sullivan, brought a refreshing and altogether helpful message on "Faith." It was good to be at home again.

A large congregation was present at Canton on Sunday evening. Pastor Holland was in another service. Here we have one of our best pastors and best churches.

VII

In the Museum at Cairo, Egypt, we saw many relics of antiquity. They helped to magnify the fuller meaning and message of Jesus.

For instance, we saw unopened water jars taken from King Tut's tomb. The water was placed in his tomb to satisfy his thirst. His loved ones knew he lived and died unprepared for the other world.

Small wonder Jesus said of Himself, "I am the water of life." "But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life." John 4:14.

We saw preserved bread and fish taken from King Tut's tomb. It, too, was placed there to satisfy his physical appetite in the other world. What futile provision! Jesus knew all this! Small wonder Jesus said, "I am the bread of life." John 6:35. (Read the entire sixth chapter.)

We also saw the huge bed that had been placed, centuries ago, in the Egyptian monarch's tomb. Of course, thought they, he will need to rest and sleep.

Jesus offers more, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matt. 11:28.

In China we saw Chinese burning the paper money at the family cemeteries, in ancestor worship. They hoped the gods would transmute these into meeting the needs of their dead. Even the poor Chinese knew their kinsmen had died unprepared for the after life.

How that adds to the message of Jesus, "I give unto them eternal life and they shall never perish." John 10:28.

VIII

Occasionally an individual sends an offering

NOW CLUB

DOUBLING THE FIVE THOUSAND

CLUB

A DEBTLESS DENOMINATION BEFORE 1945

HONESTY • LOYALTY • VICTORY

Mississippi Baptists have been yearning for the day to come when we would be out of debt. Already in these offices, we are talking about the last days of the NOW CLUB. Within eighteen (18) months at the most, we should call and pay off our last outstanding bond. It is entirely possible we may do that thing before then.

We resisted every effort of throwing more financial obligations onto this office until we had done something with the debt that almost caused Mississippi Baptists to lose their good name in such matters.

Mississippi Baptists meet their obligations, so the name remains a good one.

One of the most interesting and encouraging instances happening recently in the Now Club Department comes from New Albany Baptist Church. The Intermediate department of the Sunday school takes out Now Club Certificates as follows: The department takes out one \$36; Kingdom Seekers take a \$36, and Goal Reachers, composed of ten sixteen-year-old boys, takes nine \$36 certificates, and it is felt that the tenth will take his. Mrs. A. L. Beavers and Mrs. Varda Smith came by the office asking for the certificates. These are some of the reasons Mississippi Baptists are going to be out of debt within another year.

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SOUTHERN PRESBYTERIAN REPORT
DEFENDS WAR

"To call all war mass murder is to ignore the ultimate distinction between right and wrong, justice and injustice, benevolent rule on the part of a government and cruel oppression," according to the annual report of the permanent committee on moral and social welfare of the Presbyterian Church in the United States (Southern), which will be submitted to the 83rd session of the General Assembly of the church here May 27-June 2.

The report asserts that "it is our duty as Christian citizens to do all we can, that is consonant with our faith, to help in its gigantic struggle the nation which has afforded the church a fair and favorable opportunity for development, and to preserve the Christian values which have been attained in this and other lands."

"The victory of America will not of itself insure the advance of God's Kingdom," the report continues, "but it will insure the church a free opportunity to proclaim its faith and will provide an opportunity for all men of good will to labor for justice and brotherhood among men, neither of which would be true if the United States were to meet defeat."

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A special session of the Jones County Association will be held on Monday night, April 26, at West Laurel Baptist Church to pass on the matter of employing a county missionary. Readers of The Baptist Record in Jones county are asked to pray that the Spirit may guide in this meeting.—Bryan Simmons.

direct to the object for which it is intended. They then write us asking for "credit" on our books.

We did not handle the money. We have no actual record of it.

Therefore, WE CANNOT GIVE CREDIT!

Our people have grown in loyalty and cooperation at this point. Some still forget.

A case in point. A few weeks ago a person gave a few thousand dollars to the Blue Mountain Endowment Campaign. It was sent direct. Credit at this office was asked. We could not give it. In that case Blue Mountain in a fine spirit of cooperation, sent the money to us, and we returned it. Our books are audited. They must be correct.

Send your tithes, and offerings, through this office. We send them on. Proper records are kept.

"Let everything be done in decency and in order." I Cor. 14:40.

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LET'S HAVE A DID CLUB

From the Baptist Standard we learn that

At the meeting of the Texas Executive Board next Tuesday, there will be a special program celebrating the payment of the entire indebtedness of the Executive Board.

We are delighted to hear the good news that other states are getting out of debt and we do not blame them for feeling exceedingly happy because they are debtless. But we hereby give notice to all that we are traveling the same road. Mississippi Baptists are not out of debt, but they are getting out of debt.

On June 1 Secretary McCall and the Executive Committee are calling \$127,500 of Mississippi Baptist bonds. That will leave a total bonded indebtedness of only \$156,500.00.

Now that we are in sight of home, let every one who will, put forth unusual efforts to clean up the last of these bonds.

The Now Club has rendered great service in bringing about this debt reduction. But if on June 1 we will owe only \$156,500.00 we can "see daylight" and now while most people's incomes are greater than ever before we need to complete the job. And after we have paid our bonded debt we can then change the name of the Now Club to the Did Club.

BR

FIRST THINGS SHOULD BE FIRST

"There will be plenty of tobacco. As a nation, we are so dependent upon tobacco that it is just about as necessary as food. Our fighting forces are supplied with all the tobacco they want and our civilian population needs its tobacco almost as much as do our fighters."—Harry Hopkins, in the American Magazine.

We have not been asked for our opinion on the matter, nor are we a crank about the tobacco question. But we do feel that the above statement is not the proper one under present conditions.

We do know that many necessities are rationed. Meats, canned goods, gas and shoes are rationed. We would class them as necessities. But tobacco and cigarettes are not necessities. They cannot even be classed as luxuries. Poisons would better describe them. Certainly, every user would be better off without them. If conditions demand that people use less meats and canned foods, which are helpful, it seems that tobacco and cigarettes should at least be rationed in the same proportion that needful foodstuffs are rationed.

Nor can we agree that "Our civilian population needs its tobacco." Our civilian population may want it, and may be so enslaved by it that they feel that they must have it, but all tobacco users would be better off, both physically and financially if tobacco in every form were greatly rationed.

The best reply that we ever heard concerning tobacco was the reply of Sam Jones when asked if a man could use tobacco in heaven.

He replied, "He may be able to use tobacco in heaven but he will have to go to hell to spit."

THIS FROM A SOLDIER

Dear Pastor: I am doing all I can to point the boys to my Lord. Pray for me. Some people don't want to be saved, it seems. I hope I will find a better community when I get back. I am praying for our church and for the revival in June.—Glad Tidings.

We think that this young soldier has expressed the mind of a large majority of the men who are now in our armed services. Note carefully that this young man says, "I hope I will find a better community when I get back."

And surely, we who stay home should do our best to provide better communities for those who do come back.

Those who are serving in our armed services are coming back with some very close knowledge about death, and sorrow and prayer and its power.

They are not going to be interested in the petty things of life. If we hope to attract them to our churches and to spiritual things of life we need to begin NOW to try to get on a higher spiritual plane. We need to consecrate ourselves anew to God and strive in every way that we can to make our communities a better place in which to live and a better place in which to die.

As Kenneth Parsons said in the April issue of the American Legion Magazine:

The American Soldier Speaks

When we get home again
Forget the band—
Just have the things we fought for
Well in hand.

Stand guard, unceasing guard
On every trend,
To see if it be enemy
Or friend.

Oh, if you sabotage
Our sacred trust
Something deep down inside of us
Will bust.

When we get home again,
Forget the band—
Just have the things we fought for.
Understand?

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JAPANESE SOLDIERS SET GOOD EXAMPLE

We are not in love with the treachery of the Japanese. We could fill columns with their misdeeds. Pearl Harbor may be forgiven but can never be forgotten. But there are some things that we might learn from the Japanese. From a recent Associated Press dispatch we quote the following statement of a conductor who handled the train of 2500 Japanese soldiers who recently came to Camp Shelby for training. He says:

"I've worked exactly 508 troop movements similar to this. I've never seen one as quiet and well-disciplined. There wasn't a cuss word all the way. That, buddy, is news."

To all those who think profanity is smart, we say, "There are many who look upon it with disgust."

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HITLER MODIFIES THE FOURTH COMMANDMENT

We make no claims about being a super-patriot but we do want to win the war. Almost every day we hear someone complaining about some of the restrictions due to war conditions. May we remind all such that petty restrictions will become major ones if we lose the war?

Not only will we lose our business and social liberties but religious liberty will be a thing of the past. In other issues of The Baptist Record we

have called attention to religious restrictions of the Nazi regime. Below we give another:

New York, April 8—(INS)—The Nazis have rewritten the Fourth Commandment for the benefit of the school children in OCCUPIED Europe, the British Radio reported, according to the Office of War Information. The Fourth Commandment now reads: "Honor thy father and thy mother but above all, THE FUEHRER."

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OUR SELECTED EDITORIAL

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

THE MEANEST CHURCH

A mean church is one that has not raised its pastor's salary. But the meanest church we have heard of is one that has had the same pastor since 1932 and had not raised his salary during these years. Its meanness is seen when the receipts of the church are four times now what they were in 1932 when he became pastor. In addition to that, his children have become older, and two or three of them have been in college and are in college now. He has struggled along and tried to educate the children with advancing prices every year. Naturally with these two things happening, increase of prices, and the cost of education of his family, he has gradually been going into debt and now he is becoming embarrassed. If there haven't already been some folks in the church talking about the pastor's cramped financial condition and inability to make ends meet, there will be some in the near future, who will want to kick him out because of his increasing obligations. For a church to have quadrupled its income and to have been blessed in addition with other marked spiritual improvements, and then to let their pastor have the same salary that he received more than ten years ago under entirely different financial conditions, is to publicly proclaim their infidelity. Any household that doesn't take care of its own constituency is worse than an infidel.

This is the meanest church we know of because it is likely that not a single member of that church does not receive more salary now than he did 10 years ago. Without a question, the deacons, the Sunday school superintendent, and others who have places of spiritual responsibility in the church have treated the pastor, God's called man to minister to their spiritual needs, worse than they have treated their colored servants. Their colored servants ought to have an increase in salary and no doubt have, but to forget the man of God is an insult to God which cannot be publicly overlooked or forgotten. Your church may not be the meanest church there is in the country, but if it has continued to let your pastor serve on a salary that is not on a par with other members of the church, it is about as low and mean as it ought to get. The prevailing prices of work which exist everywhere in most all kinds of industries, demand that a minister of the gospel receive a wage which would be on an equal to at least a day laborer in any recognized profession. Until the world sees that the churches, which profess to be the examples of the Lord Jesus Christ in matters of religion, pay their devoted servants like they should, that is, according to the Golden Rule, they need not expect the world in general to flock to them.

The second meanest church we know anything about is the one that recognizes their pastor is not receiving a sufficient salary and then hides behind the excuse that there is a government restriction on the increase of salaries. When men will hide behind that excuse and rejoice that the government has fixed it so they will not have to do the decent thing that ought to have been done long before wage restrictions were set, needs to have a new interpretation of Christian stewardship. From a few reports which have reached this office, the indication of some of the meanest individuals we have heard about have signed and said, "Thank God we won't have to raise the pastor's salary now since we have ceiling prices set on salaries."—Illinois Baptist.

Thursday, April 22, 1943.

THE BAPTIST RECORD

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Our Contributed Editorial

BY INVITATION OF THE EDITOR

By this means we hope to give our readers a cross section of Mississippi Baptist thought.

SHALL WE LOOK OR OVERLOOK?

(John 4:35)

In these uncertain times almost all the world seems to be rushing to and fro, with few having any certainty about what or where or how.

Life to so many seems to be only getting and using as quickly as possible anything and everything, for fear they will miss something. The tragedy is that nothing seems to exist outside of "right now and right here."

Jesus said, "Lift up your eyes." Let your vision range beyond your own desires; become conscious of the fact that you are not alone in the world; that desires are not always based upon needs; that desires not based upon needs almost always conflict with needs.

When we have "lifted our eyes" and "looked on the field" desires are lost, as one by one the needs pass our line of vision. Jesus was tired and desired rest, hungry and desired food, but the appearance of one with a need caused Him to forego the urge to satisfy desires, though they were great.

In this time of uncertainty, when homes are broken, when schools are crippled, when governments are disrupted, when nations are being destroyed and when there is not a plan or a purpose which can satisfy the desires of men, it is time we lifted our eyes to behold the needs.

Through the centuries godly men and women have sown the seed of love, faithful children of God have toiled in the cultivation of the same, and now that the floods of greed have descended upon us in the form of war and we find ourselves tired from long years of toil, and hungry for the full ripe fruits of righteousness, shall we give way to the desires and stop without having looked upon the harvest? God forbid, but rather let us hear anew the appeal from Him to lift up our eyes and look on the fields, for truly "they are ripe unto harvest."

It is true that the laborers are all too few, but it is just as true that there are millions today who appear before the eyes of the all-seeking Saviour with needs as great as the woman of Samaria.

The blood of millions is being poured out to satisfy the desires of ruthless men who shall never enjoy the possessions or the honor which they covet, because the blood of other millions is being poured out of necessity that He who gave Himself a ransom for many may not have died in vain. Shall we who are left behind be bound faithful to the need for gathering into His Kingdom the overripe harvest?

Many will say that circumstance has altered the case and that we should suspend action for the duration in order to give one hundred percent to win the war, but let us remember that we can never win over one enemy by turning our backs for the other one to plunge a deadly knife into. Yes, circumstance may alter the case, but always the need is the same. "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

In the Southwest Pacific the need is great; in North Africa the need is great; and on the Russian front the need is great; and we are going to respond to the needs of them all, but everywhere the need of salvation is greater and shall we "overlook" this need or shall we "look" and meet it?—O. C. Chance.

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We have just closed the best meeting we have had in the ten years I have been pastor here. James L. Sullivan, pastor of Clinton church, did the preaching in a great way. James Fairchild of Wesson led the singing very helpfully. These two make a fine team. There were 25 additions to the church, 21 being by baptism and four by letter.—J. B. Quin, Summit.

Under the leadership of R. B. Hicks, efficient pastor of Midway church in Calhoun county, the church has gone from fourth to half time. The church cooperated in the statewide Evangelistic Crusade, and will have another revival in August.—Mrs. Cleo Freely.

PAUL'S FIVE-FOLD CALL

Eph. 5:14-19

By Dr. Zeno Wall

First Baptist Church, Shelby, N. C.

Below we give an outline of one of the addresses given at the Evangelistic Conference at Clinton in January. All those taking part on the program have been asked for a copy of their addresses. Some have not found it convenient to send them but we are glad to share with our readers those that are available.

"Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light. See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil wherefore be ye not unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your hearts to the Lord." . . .

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Paul's first call is a call to wake up. "Awake thou that sleepest," Eph. 5:14, and it is a call that every Christian needs to hear and heed today. There are two powerful forces working against the cause of Christ in the world: One is apathy, and the other is antipathy, and I fear most apathy, coldness, lukewarmness, indifference on the inside. A Hitler may rage and hate and imprison and kill, but he cannot prevail against the blood bought children of God if they are awake and "on the job" for Him.

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Paul's second call is to the church members to get up, to "arise from among the dead." It is not enough to wake up, but, if you are going to be useful, you must get up. What father has not gone to his son's bed, and called to him and shaken him and said, "John, it's time to get up." But John rolled over on his right side and went back to sleep. We had just such a son in our regiment. When reveille sounded, he woke up and asked what time it was and then lie back down to take another nap, just as he had always done at home. The top sergeant kicked his cot and said, "Get up from here, you lazy rascal. This ain't your ma calling today. It's your Uncle Sam, and he is mad, too." Many are asleep among dead funds, and many more among dead forms, yea, cold, lifeless formalism. Many, like the rich man in the Bible, have much goods laid up for many years and are saying, "Soul, take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry." They lie down and go to sleep—to be awakened by the Lord as He says, "Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee." Luke 12:20.

We are to get up from among the materially dead things, and we are to get up from the spiritually dead things, too. We had in our state last year several hundred churches that did not have a revival; and you, no doubt, have the same condition in your state.

III

Paul's third call was, and is, to "redeem the time, because the days are evil." Paul, in our every day language, was saying, there are golden opportunities all about you—"seize them," literally "buying up for yourselves." There are blind people all about you, reveal your light; there are filled concentration camps, free them. The days in Ephesus were evil days, and the days in America are evil days. Everywhere "sin abounds"; all about us the gates of hell are marching against the church; all about us are lost men and women, lost boys and girls. Here in your wonderful state you have over seven hundred thousand who have never been to Jesus for His cleansing power—never been washed in the blood of the Lamb. Oh, what a call and challenge.

Epidemics call for doctors and nurses and vaccines; and spiritual darkness calls for the children of light to get up and shine and serve.

You have never lived when opportunities are as golden as they are now. Like Esther, you and I have come to the Kingdom for such an hour as this.

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Paul called upon the redeemed ones, in the fourth place, to fill up: "Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit." Eph. 5:18. Spirit filled men is the need of the hour: Spirit

Baptist Orphanage,
Jackson, Mississippi
April 10, 1943.

Dear Record Reader:

Just a note of appreciation to let you know that I received the dollar you mailed to Mr. Mize for me. It was kind of you to remember me on my birthday, and I thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,

DORIS SMITH.

It was my great pleasure to be with Bro. N. S. Jackson and his fine people at Sidon in a meeting this past week. There was a good revival spirit as those fine delta farmers left their fields and came to church morning and night. The school superintendent brought all the children from the fourth grade up to morning services. It is fine to go to the school, but better to bring them to God's house. The pastor brought a series of fine Bible messages and it was my joy to lead the singing and to help with the personal work. Bro. Jackson has the love of these people for his heart is in the work, and the church is making great strides for the Lord. There were eleven additions by profession of faith. —Otho A. Eure.

Elsewhere in this issue we present a summary of a message delivered by Dr. Zeno Wall, of Shelby, N. C., at the Evangelistic Conference held at Clinton. Dr. Wall, who was formerly pastor at Clinton when the movement was started to build the church house, gave a warm personal message preceding his address, in which he referred to the young ministers who had gone out from the church, and other blessings he recalled during his former pastorate.

Members of the Dorcas Club of the First Baptist Church in McComb have sent in several subscriptions for The Baptist Record for the coming year.

On April 18 special services for families with men in the armed forces was held at the Belzoni church at the morning hour.—Chester Molpus, pastor.

filled preachers and Spirit filled laymen!

In another state, a frame church building was burning rapidly, and every citizen ran, with bucket in hand, to put the fire out. But despite their efforts the building burned. After the building had been reduced to ashes, the pastor discovered one of his members whom he had never seen at church before. Turning to him he said, "Well, I have never seen you at our church before." "No," said the man, "nor have I ever seen this church on fire before."

Brethren, let's kindle a fire—start a big blaze by tarrying till the Lord baptizes us with the Holy Ghost and with fire! Show me a church on fire and I'll show you gathering crowds; show me a preacher on fire and I'll show you a congregation which comes to see him burn and glow and be warmed; and show me a layman on fire and I'll show you a Stephen preaching the gospel with freedom and power, serving his community wisely and well, and dying in the white light of heaven.

Today, nearly all that we hear is from below instead of from above—is from earth instead of heaven—and is so confusing, so bewildering, so depressing. . . . Some of us today feel like the Kansas farmer who, when asked why his hogs were so thin and why they kept running first in one direction and then in another said, "This winter I had a bad cold and lost my voice. I could not call my hogs as in other days, so when I wanted them I would take my walking stick and tap on the fence and they would hear my tapping and would come. Spring has come and the woodpeckers have been running my hogs to death."

Christianity is a heart religion; Christianity is a preaching religion and Christianity is a singing religion. We feel something and we must speak and sing!

All about us are sad-faced men and women, sad because dear ones are away on the high seas, or deep in a submarine, or high in an airplane, or in some newly made grave, or wasting away in some prison camp. These dear people need light and joy and conquest. As they come to us may we have the light of heaven on our faces, the joy of the Lord in our hearts, and the song of victory upon our lips.

ALL ALONE WITH OUR THOUGHTS
By Albert W. Beaven
Late President of Rochester-Colgate
University School

Note—This article was found on the desk of President A. W. Beaven on the day he was taken to the hospital, where he died. Only the first page had been revised. There was no time to revise the rest. It is undoubtedly his final message, the last thing he wrote before his death.—Ed.

What do people think when illness or other reasons lay them aside and they are compelled to be alone with their thoughts?

What do people do with their thoughts when they are laid aside? The answer makes a lot of difference.

Some people can worry. It is easy and natural, but it is a poor way to use our time. Worry does not help any. It wastes strength, tends to increase our fears, and makes things look much blacker than they are. An old Negro woman had the right treatment for worry. When someone asked her how she kept her health to such a good old age, her reply was: "When I works, I works hard; when I sets, I sets loose; and when I worries, I goes to sleep." Worry will not make us well; it will do just the opposite. Other people grow resentful and "curse their luck." That too is useless and frequently harmful. Still others get impatient and demand to be let out before they should be. That is childish, often dangerous.

Thus if we let thoughts like these dominate us, they immediately begin to have a bad effect. We should be thankful that we can select the thoughts that we allow to go into our minds as definitely as we can choose the furniture we put into a room.

There are thoughts that quiet us and bring us strength rather than irritation. They open doorways to new power. One of the reasons why religion has so often been thought of when we come to a hard place is that it opens up to us resources that we frequently ignore when we are well. When men reach the end of their own strength they seek a power greater than their own. Captain Edward Rickenbacker and his men had their daily prayers in the rubber boat while adrift through the long days. When we have time to think we realize that there is a God, whom we usually take for granted, who is our strength and supports us much as the sea holds up a ship. It has been so for centuries. "Lord thou has been our dwelling place in all generations." That was said 3,000 years ago. In moments of extremity, particularly in times of quiet meditation, men of all faiths and no faith have let their minds face life's great mysteries and have become conscious of the relationship which they sustained to God. In that realization they found quietness and strength. They have very often, too, found what they sought—a new grip on life that enabled them to shake off their fears and worries. The psalmist put it this way, "I will go in the strength of the Lord." When a boat enters the lock of a canal, the gates are closed behind it and in front of it so that the boat cannot move. Then silently the water is let in from the upper level and the boat is slowly lifted to a new height. Then the upper gate opens and the boat moves off on the new higher level. That is what has happened to men over and over again when they have filled their minds with the reality of God's strength.

This principal also works like the coming of reinforcements to a beleaguered army. When we think of God each one of us is conscious that He is on the side of the best that is in us. Because of our different training we think of God in different ways. But we all have the deep confidence that God wants the best for us, that He would have us well, that He is the basis for our courage and hope and that even beyond where we can understand it. He represents the great in life. Doctors say it is not so much the medicine or the operation that cures us; these merely remove the obstructions or dangers that allow the health, power and purity factors that are already there get a chance to do their part. We are made so that life is on the side of our getting better. Perhaps that is a parable of

**SOUTHEAST MISSISSIPPI PASTORS FAVOR
CONTINUANCE OF EVANGELISTIC
CONFERENCE**

Whereas, there is some sentiment that, due to transportation and housing difficulties, it will be unwise to have the Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference next year, and

Whereas, the Southern Baptist Convention has been postponed, thus keeping apart the brethren, and

Whereas, the Conference has made such a definite contribution to Mississippi Baptists in promoting evangelism, and has become such a vital part of us, and

Whereas, we, as the pastors of Southeast Mississippi, feel that it is unwise to miss even one year of such an important meeting,

Therefore, be it resolved,

First, that we thank God for the inspiration and information received in the conferences in the past, and for the work of our state secretary in providing the great speaking personnel for past conferences;

Second, that we voice our deep concern to continue the conference as it has been, and to pledge our support by prayer and presence;

Third, that we ask our state secretary and the State Board to give this matter the most serious consideration.

Southeast Mississippi Pastors' Conference

John J. Brantley, President
Robert L. Orr, Secretary.

April 5, 1943.

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An unusual report for a small church was given by Pastor H. W. Robertson who served the Union church in Rankin county as an afternoon appointment. In 14 months the church had the following remarkable record in its finances: Repairs, \$182.20; minutes, \$6; cemetery work, \$51; Baptist Record, \$13.18; Convention expense of pastor, \$20; light bill, \$14; Now Club, \$66.50; revival help, \$100, and pastor's salary, \$348.79. After bills were paid there was a total of \$62.08 left in the treasury. J. P.

whole relationship of God to us who need Him so much.

Our thoughts can open to us still another source of strength, namely, our oneness with all our fellow men. Each one of them, like us, has his own problem—white or black, brown or yellow, Christian or Hebrew, Buddhist or Confucianist, Protestant or Catholic. There is some good in each one, some upward striving, some moments when each one sees a vision. All the best men are our helpers, too. We are the "heirs of all ages." From the good and great who are gone comes a stream of influence that can bless us if we permit it. Humanity has a hard job, but it has some fine qualities and has produced some grand souls that make us hold up our heads and thank God for the past.

In our time we, too, can make humanity stronger because we came along. No one of us lives alone nor would be content to live for himself. We do not want to take the part of the "Priest and Levite" in the story of the good Samaritan. We want to help, to be a part of a cause that leaves things better when we are gone. If we can feel men's struggle for the good life, for justice, for liberty, for a chance for a better tomorrow, if we can fill our minds with the dreams and hopes that hold men like visions of loved ones when they are lonely, if the walls of our minds can be like an panorama on which appear the noblest of earth's great souls of yesterday and on which we can see our children after us going on to have their chance in a "brave new world," then our "might will bring the stars." From our touch with God and man new power will come, the fears and worries of life will fall away and all the latent strength within us can be used to restore us and make us again ready to do our part.

Note: The above article was originally written for the use of chaplains as a message to soldiers and sailors, sick or wounded, in hospitals, and as one of a series written by Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish leaders. Through the courtesy of Dr. Robert A. Ashworth of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, it is made available to Missions.—Editor.—Missions.

Touching The Bases

By Fred R. Langley
Soldiers, Sailors and Defense Projects Service

By Chaplain Augustus B. Dorough
Senior Chaplain, Station Hospital

"What kind of an officer is he?" was the question asked by an inductee at Fort McClellan as I passed two soldiers on the street. The other soldier replied by saying, "He is a chaplain in the army. Why, he has the swellest job of any officer in the army."

I don't know just what the soldier had in mind when he said that the chaplain had the "swellest job of any officer in the army." But after serving in two wars in two branches of the military service both as private and as an officer, I believe the hospital chaplain has the grandest job of anyone. Why do I say this? Because in my opinion it enables one to do the greatest good to the greatest number of people.

The three chaplains at the Station Hospital serve the spiritual needs of more than 2000 officers, nurses, detachment and civilian personnel, as well as between 1,500 and 2,000 patients daily. Each Protestant chaplain endeavors to visit every ward one or more times each week, that he may be available for the needs of the patients, and the Catholic chaplain makes ward calls contacting Catholic patients. During office hours all chaplains are available for personal conferences. From these contacts resulted last year a total of 5,552 personal conferences and 11,098 personal services for the patients such as money orders, telegrams, passes, letter writing, obtaining personal articles and arranging for pay. Lenten week-day services, Protestant and Catholic, daily mass and special week-day celebrations throughout the year came to a total of 276 services with 5,398 in attendance.

One Catholic devotion was held weekly with a total attendance of 1,787. The Protestant chaplains met with the detachment at time of inspection for a short devotion 79 times. During the year the chaplains were called on to deliver five sex-morality lectures.

One of the major services rendered by the chaplains has been to meet the families of the patients who are seriously ill or are recently deceased, be with them, comfort and minister to them and help them with their problems. Seriously ill patients were closely watched by the chaplains and visits to them were made 856 times.

Other pastoral duties were 25 weddings, 18 baptisms, one funeral, 2,337 confessions, 12 anointings and 24 visits to the camp stockade. In connection with this work there were distributed 6,913 New Testaments and prayer books, 2,454 tracts and pamphlets and 2,000 rosaries and medals. The combined chaplains officiated at 152 Sunday services in the chapel with 19,501 in attendance. The Protestant chaplains alternated the chapel services, arranging also each Sunday services in the restricted wards (recovery, prison, neuro-psychiatric, tuberculosis and urology wards). These totaled 152 services with attendance of 4,011 patients present.

One Jewish service has been held for all hospital personnel, as well as the patients, each Saturday of the year.

A chaplain friend of mine (Lt. Colonel Oscar Reynolds) made two statements in my presence, which I trust that I shall never forget: "True religion is God's life in the souls of men," and

"Service is the rent one pays for the space he occupies." The hospital chaplain has the opportunity to demonstrate both in his daily duties.—Camp Shelby Reveille.

Graves is the excellent treasurer. Bro. Roberson stated that he believed that The Baptist Record going into every home helped the church members to be informed about all the work as they made this outstanding record.

A Negro church in Kansas City has as its slogan the following: "Wake up, sing up, preach up, pray up, stay up, pay up, but never give up or let up or back up or shut up until the cause of Christ in this church and in the world is built up."—The Word and Way.

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MOTHER'S DAY MEANS MUCH
TO ORPHANAGE, SAYS
SUPT. MIZE

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soon be under a greater obligation to society and the church. We cannot fail to take care of the children of those who give their lives to defend us. Our obligation has increased. We cannot, we will not, we must not, fail to do our part. Therefore, in the name of the church, through the Sunday school, the regular church service, the W. M. U. and auxiliaries, we urge all lovers of the Orphanage, all lovers of others, and especially lovers of children to make some worthy and liberal cash offering to this noble cause on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 9. "You can give without loving, but you cannot love without giving."

With grateful appreciation and thanks for all the children, I am

Gratefully yours,

W. G. MIZE, Superintendent.

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A SOLDIER'S LETTER TO HIS
YOUNGER BROTHER

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have the right to and should be proud of ourselves, but remember always to use your knowledge and experience not ostentatiously with a flaunting of ego, but understandingly with a spirit of helpfulness. You will come into contact with all classes of men. You will have over you sergeants and perhaps officers who are not as capable as yourself. Always be careful and do not do or say anything that will offend their inferiority complex. You will also find men of your rank who will dislike you if you in any way tend to be superior. Don't get me wrong, though. I don't mean that you will have to do everything they do, or condone all of their notions, but in your "bull sessions" just to be careful of the way you refer to your past experiences and qualifications. You will hear a lot of profanity and vulgarity. Just remember that a man's mouth is a broadcasting medium of what he is and a radio station is judged by the kind of program it puts on the air. Be friendly and unselfish towards all, but when you select your friends, be sure they are men you would be proud for Mother to meet. Don't drink, not even beer. I know it will be hard when all the other fellows are doing it, but what is worth keeping is worth fighting for. You have a good name, and so many men, especially in the army, have lost their good name and standing because of something that happened while they had a little beer on their breath. Don't play poker. You are in a department where gambling is prohibited for officers, so you should also try to uphold that standard. I do not believe it is necessary to mention the temptations that will be thrown into your path in regard to base women. No self-respecting man can live with himself who would stoop so low as to betray his sense of decency in this way.

I am not worried a bit about your being able to take it. I know it will be hard and you will have to put up with a great deal you have not been used to. Don't get discouraged if things do not work out right away. You will soon learn of the slowness of "military channels." You will get homesick and wish you could chuck it all, because I know the many times I have felt that way, especially since I have been over here. I have never talked to you much about religion, but I will tell you one thing. I have always found a great consolation in prayer in overcoming difficulty. It is nothing to be ashamed of. Robert E. Lee, one of the greatest soldiers the world has ever known, was not ashamed to call on God for help. Try to go to church every Sunday, and you will find it to be a great help. You will meet there other men who feel as you do, and you will make good friends.

Well, luck to you, old man. Just remember always to do what you know is right and not what you would like to do at the moment. Perhaps we will meet before it is all over—who knows?

Your devoted brother.

(This letter was written by a captain in the U. S. Army, stationed somewhere in England, whose family are members of the First church, Hertford. It is a real letter and not written for publication, but we are passing it on to our readers with the permission of the family. It is presented as an anonymous letter for obvious reasons. It is a re-

E. C. ROUTH ASSUMES COMMISSION
EDITORSHIP

Dr. E. C. Routh, editor of "The Baptist Messenger," of Oklahoma, was named editor of "The Commission," foreign mission journal of Southern Baptists. He will relieve Dr. Maddry, executive secretary of the board, of editorial duties connected with this magazine. It was reported that "The Commission" had reached a total of 60,000 subscribers, starting from nothing five years ago.—J. D. Franks, Mississippi member, Foreign Mission Board.

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BILL MARSHALL TAKES
SOUTHWIDE POSITION

J. W. (Bill) Marshall of Dallas, Texas, secretary of Baptist Student Union activities in Texas, was elected to a newly-created position of secretary of personnel and promotion for the entire South. He will visit colleges and universities to enlist greater student support for the foreign mission work.—J. D. Franks, Mississippi member, Foreign Mission Board.

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The May issue of the SUNDAY SCHOOL BUILDER has an informing article by Enlistment Pastor E. D. Estes. It also contains a good likeness of Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Perry. Brother Perry is pastor of New Liberty church. The article describes how this church grew from quarter time preaching and little else to full time preaching, a new house and a working unified budget.

Dr. B. D. Gray, emeritus secretary of the Home Mission Board and beloved native of Mississippi, will celebrate his 88th birthday on June 18.

J. D. Griffin, pastor of Goodyear church, Picayune, has sent in a fine list of names and states that they will send others later.

Spring Hill church, Copiah county, regrets very much the loss of our pastor, P. M. Acker, who is leaving to accept the call to a field in Locust Grove, Ga. The best wishes of the church follow him and his family.—Mrs. Joe Miller, reporter.

At Lexington, the Evangelistic Crusade meeting in which J. H. Kyzar of Laurens, S. C., a former pastor, preached, was a glorious success. There were six additions by baptism and three by letter. The church in every respect was greatly revived. Excellent crowds heard this fine gospel preacher at every service.—Homer W. Roberson, pastor.

Norman W. Cox, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Meridian, recently assisted Pastor Slater Murphy and Highland church of Memphis in a revival meeting. There were 66 additions and 56 for baptism.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE WILL TRAIN
NAVAL UNIT

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to the College and in return the College will be a help to the Nation and a blessing to the cadets who are brought into Clinton's wonderful Christian environment.

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The Orphanage was requested to admit twenty-seven children during the month of April. These requests came from all parts of the state. At the present time 12 of these children have been admitted, others will be accepted as soon as possible.

Quentin Floyd, a former pastor, was invited to hold the meeting at Gum Springs church during the Crusade, and the church enjoyed a good revival.

markably good letter and we are confident that it will be read with interest and profit by multitudes of people.—Editor.)—The Biblical Recorder.

DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR

May

- Evangelism.
- Cooperative Program.
- Pay off State Debts (Now Club).
- Orphanage Day.
- Hospital Day.
- G. A. Focus Week, 9-14.
- Association Elimination Contests in B. T. U.
- Vacation Bible Schools.
- Tithes and Offerings According to the Scriptures.
- Blue Mountain Endowment.

FEELING FOR FAVOR

The average editor (in fact, all editors) feels that when you compliment his paper you do him a favor.

You do do him a favor—you encourage him greatly.

Would it not be fine if The Baptist Record could ascertain what complimentary things its readers say about it or would say if given the opportunity?

A cross section of opinion on this would be valuable. Then also a general expression along this line would be valuable.

If in a confidential way, without the office force of the paper knowing your name, you were asked for a frank complimentary appraisal of The Baptist Record, you would give it, would you not? That is, you would if you had anything complimentary to say.

It would be fine to find out the fine points in the paper as the readers see them.

The reader interest survey which has been announced is designed to ascertain such things. It is a feeling for favors. Mark you, it is a feeling for favors, but not a fawning for them.

Something else will be said next week. Watch for it.

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At Friendship church, four miles from Sumner, A. D. Muse preached the week of March 28-April 2. The entire student body and faculty of the Blue Lake school attended the 11 o'clock morning service in a body each day and contributed much to the service. The building was practically filled at the evening hour in spite of the fact that ideal weather kept the farmers busy in the field until nearly dark. There were seven additions to the church, two of them for baptism. The interest and attendance through the week was evidence of the fact that folks in our rural churches will attend a revival in the early spring.—J. H. Pennebaker, pastor.

The Braxton church desired their pastor, O. C. Chance, to do the preaching in the Crusade meeting. Evening services only were held. There were three for baptism, and good interest. Miss Elsie Holliday directed the music for the revival. Pastor Chance also preached at the Athens revival, which was marked by splendid attendance.

Geneva (By Wireless to RNS)—Growing tension between the Nazi party and German army elements over the continuance of the chaplaincy is reported by well-informed church leaders here. It was said that the army circles with church connections are resisting an attempt by Nazi leaders to eliminate chaplains.

Pearson: On Sunday, April 11, we had a special service, dedicating Brother G. M. Harbin to the service as chaplain. Brother Harbin brought the messages both morning and evening and Oscar B. Robertson, assistant pastor, was in charge of the program. All those present joined hands with Brother Harbin and pledged full support to him and their country. He was also given the full right to baptize any converts so desiring into the membership of Pearson church. There were two professions of faith as a result of these services.—Reporter.

Dr. Robert J. Bateman, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Memphis, died suddenly at his home Sunday afternoon. Dr. Bateman was one of the speakers at the last evangelistic conference in Clinton. His church in Memphis had observed his twelfth anniversary April 4.

The church at Locust Grove, Ga., has called P. M. Acker as pastor. He has been serving Spring Hill and New Zion in Copiah county for two and a half years, having come there from Baptist Bible Institute. Both his churches have been on the EVERY FAMILY list of The Baptist Record for some time. His fellowship with the pastors in Mississippi has been very happy, he stated, and he expects to keep in touch with all the work through The Baptist Record.

WANTED: The names of widows of Baptist ministers in this state who are not receiving The Baptist Record. Send name and address to The Baptist Record, Jackson, Miss.

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Tell others about Blue Mountain College Endowment.

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

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OUR HOPE CONVENTION 1943

Sisters, Beloved—

Do you know why I call this our Convention of HOPE? When you were hastening this—Tuesday morning, to make your final preparations before leaving home for the Convention, I am sure many of you remembered to turn to our Calendar of Prayer for the daily message. And this is what you found, "That you may abound in HOPE through the power of the Holy Ghost."

What a message for us at this time! Surely no one could have given it to us just like the Hopeful Paul. Do you remember when he was on his way a prisoner to Rome his biographer says: "When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days, and no small tempest lay on us, all HOPE that we should be saved was taken away." Then Paul spoke.

How very much that time was like these times—when days seem sunless, and nights starless, and the storming winds seem all around us; when the seas on the east of us and the sea on the west of us is enemy encompassed. Yes, 'tis well to have Paul speak again. And he speaks of HOPE.

And what is HOPE, we ask:

HOPE is the healing of humanity's hurt: "Why art thou cast down, O my soul,

HOPE IN GOD, for I shall yet praise Him, who is the HEALTH of my countenance, and my God."

HOPE is the objective of optimism: "Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart, all ye that HOPE in the Lord."

HOPE is the power behind the prayer: "Thou art my HOPE O Lord God: Thou art my trust from my youth."

HOPE is endurance forever! "The eternal God is thy refuge and underneath are the everlasting arms."

"Now the God of all HOPE fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may be overflowing with HOPE in the power of the Holy Spirit."

Tenderly, lovingly,
MARGARET MCRAE LACKEY.

President's Message to State W. M. U. Convention Friends of Jesus

The W. M. U. Watchword for this year is especially appropriate. During these days of storm and stress these words should be in our hearts and on our lips; this great prayer of a great prophet should be our daily prayer, "That all the Kingdoms of earth may know that Thou art the Lord, even Thou only."

For the theme for this annual meeting we have lifted out of this great verse of Scripture four key words: "That All May Know." Indeed we find the missionary emphasis here. "All" means every person in every place throughout the earth. "That They May Know" Jesus is Lord of Lords and King of Kings, and that they may know that HE is the Saviour of the world. In Him only is salvation.

The subject for this message is "Friends of Jesus," based on John 15:14. Jesus said, "Ye are my friends if ye do whatsoever I command you." We are friends of Jesus that all may know Him. The word "friend" is an exceedingly beautiful word. It is the present participle of an old Anglo-Saxon verb which means "to love." A friend therefore is not only one who is beloved by the speaker but one of whose love the speaker can be sure. Friendship is thus a two-way road where lives are joined. The relationship of those who love our Lord is a very tender one. It surpasses even that of blood relatives. Once in the synagogue our Saviour exclaimed "Whosoever shall do the will of my Father, he is my brother and sister and mother." When He calls us friends our Lord moves us from the circumference to the center of His companionship and we learn His love at first hand. "No more do I call you servants for the servant knoweth not what

his Lord doeth; but I have called you friends, for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you."

Jesus paid high tribute to friendship when He said, "I have called you friends" for with Him friendship meant complete confidence, utter faith and self-sacrificing love.

We are told that true friendship is based on three things: mutual trust, mutual communion and mutual service. It is a two-way road, the trust, communion and mutual service must be each in the other. In the friendship of Abraham and God there was the three "mutuals," they trusted each other. Is it so in our case? The Master needs not only those who trust Him but those whom He can trust. Can we qualify? Do we love Him enough that He can trust us to serve Him acceptably? Then we will strive to do the things He tells us to do.

As we read the Great Commission in Matthew 28:16-20 we realize that the urge for undertaking the task of Missions should not be an argument but a passionate heart of love for Jesus. Schweitzer, Stanley Jones, Jane Addams, Janie Lowery Graves, Susan Anderson, Gladys Keith, Auris Pender, Minnie Landrum—and on we could go, many others have gone to the mission fields because of a compelling sense of the need and a constraining love for their Master. In the great work of spreading the story of the Savior's love we, each of us, may have an active and interested part. We are His friends that all may know Him. The fields are afar and also near by. Let us lift up our eyes and see.

The friends of Jesus should be vitally interested in making Him known in their local areas. Here are found many and varied opportunities. Woman's Missionary Union now calls this phase of service Community Missions. It means more than Personal Service. It is the foundation for World Missions. Our southwide chairman calls attention to the fact that the middle letter in the word is "U" and the first letter "C," You must see the needs of your community. We are reminded that without the underlying missionary purpose efforts in our community might be meaningless and selfish. "Missions gives the reason for studying community needs, seeing, surveying—that we might give the Gospel message to those who have it not and endeavor also to meet their material needs." In community missions women and young people engage in efforts to win the unsaved about them as they manifest Christian fellowship, helping to build and strengthen Christian character as they work for a Christian community.

In our plans for Mission Study this year let us make a definite place for "The Guide to Community Missions" (see the cover page of this month's Royal Service). This book is just off the press and will be helpful in putting over the plans and methods of this phase of the work. One further word about Mission Study. Doubtless you read in The Baptist Record of March 11th, on page three, the report of Mrs. Lawrence on Mission Study, but we are urging that you study this report. It will help us to get a broader and bigger conception of the real meaning of Mission Study.

Let us not forget, too, that the study of Missions is a fine means of enlistment. Enlistment is still Problem Number One. Would it not be a fine thing if we could really enlist all our women and young people in ALL these things we are trying to do! Enlistment in Community Missions, in Study, in Prayer, in Debt-Paying, in Stewardship, in the work with our Young People. Enlistment is more inclusive than ever before. Let us keep it before us.

We all rejoice in the report of our State Stewardship Chairman. Mrs. Street tells us we have a 25% increase in total gifts this past year. A large increase in the three Weeks of Prayer Offerings; in fact, the largest our state has ever reported and about twice as much toward a debtless denomina-

tion. May we in the remaining months of this year go full length and full strength in debt clearance. Our Southwide Stewardship Chairman says "personal" consecration should be spelled "purse-and-all!" Let us not forget that the emphasis is still on the tithe, "not because of its own value in God's sight but because of what it represents and because of the holy use God directed us to make of it." We are His friends if we do what He commands. His word says, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse." We pay the tithe and then make the offering. Generous giving means spiritual enrichment; "the liberal soul shall be made fat." May we continue to grow in this grace.

"Ye are my friends if ye do whatsoever I command you," and the Father has said, "Train up a child in the way he should go." Certainly "the way" includes missionary teaching and training. In our young people we think of the present with a future. They are the Builders of Tomorrow. Through missionary teaching and training these Builders of Tomorrow will be able to build a world where none shall needlessly suffer, where greed shall be deprived of its power to exploit and where opportunities for Christian living shall be open equally to all—a world where peace prevails and love rules. These boys and girls are ours today. Will we measure up to the responsibility? An old Monk used to salute whenever he passed a group of children playing in the streets, "there may be a great man among them," he said. There are great possibilities and potentialities in these young people of today. Each of them can make a big contribution to building tomorrow's world; it is ours to encourage them.

An old Scottish peasant said to David Livingston when as a youth Livingston became a Christian: "Now, Davie, see that you make your religion the everyday business of your life and not just a thing of fits and starts." Each of humanity's mighty helpers has had standing behind him someone whose example or wise counsel had awakened the powers of the leader.

In our message to you last year we talked of the hope and dream for a permanent camp for the young people in our state. We spoke of the great need for it. Soon after this we learned that Cottolian Springs would not be available to us for our camp activities after last summer. The question came to us, shall we forego these important group meetings for our boys and girls and lose what we have built up during the years, or shall we accept the challenge and launch out in faith and begin a permanent camp? The decision was made, the proper steps were taken. It was presented to you through the Districts. We all were for the camp! You have shown your interest and endorsement by rallying to the call. Progress is being made, gifts have come in, it is a favorite subject with us, questions are being asked, there is much enthusiasm. Definite plans are in the making. We shall pray and work and plan and build and look to our unfailing Friend for leadership, definitely sure of victory in His name and for His sake.

Let us not forget in our efforts to serve the Lord the great resource that is ours as His friends, the source of our strength and power. Of course we mean prayer.

One of the foundation stones of true friendship is mutual communion—friend talking with friend, and let us remember we are not to do all the talking. We must quiet ourselves before Him and hear Him speak to us. One of the finest prayers of the Bible is that of the little boy Samuel. It is only six words, but very significant: "Speak Lord, for thy servant heareth." We can see this lad waiting there in the temple not asking God to do something, but listening in silence for a voice to tell him what he could do for God.

We like the "Great Words in the Vocabulary of (Continued on Page Nine)

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GOING PLACES

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

Durant Joins Parade

Recently Dr. B. Frank Smith, pastor, First Baptist Church, Durant, led his people to adopt the EVER Y FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record. What he did, many others could do.

We reproduce below a letter he sent to each resident family. Members of The First Baptist Church:

Beginning this month, every resident family in our church will receive The Baptist Record, our own Mississippi Baptist newspaper.

DR. B. FRANK SMITH

Each week the Record will bring you sixteen pages of editorials, features, and news of Kingdom work in this state and throughout the world, all designed to encourage Christian growth and aid in building a Christian atmosphere for the whole family. Give it a worthy place in your home, and it will lift your horizons, stimulate your thinking, and in every way make you a better-informed Baptist and therefore a better Christian.

Over 31,000 copies of the Record go out each week, giving it the highest per capita circulation of any Baptist paper in the South, and making it the most widely-read newspaper in the state, with the exception of the Jackson dailies, which exceed it by only a few thousand copies. It is ably edited by Rev. A. L. Goodrich, business manager for five years and elected to his present post by the State Convention Board in 1941.

We believe the church is making a good investment in sending you the Record, and we earnestly urge you to read it regularly and thus assure its usefulness. By sending it to all our families, we get it for \$1, instead of the usual \$1.50 charged for individual subscriptions. Some will want to pay for theirs over and above their other church contributions, and any such may do so by dropping a dollar in the offering plate, marked "Baptist Record," and giving his name. Others will prefer that theirs be paid for out of regular budget funds, and this will be done in all cases where there is no notice to the contrary.

Grateful for the fine cooperation I have received during my first year as your pastor, and asking for your prayers and active assistance in the tasks that lie ahead, I am

Faithfully yours,

B. FRANK SMITH.

Calhoun City

Pastor J. D. Walker has been at Calhoun City a few months but he is already winning the love and affection of the people of Calhoun City.

All the organizations are doing good work.

We found the pastor in the midst of the Crusade revival and well pleased with the cooperation of the people.

Calhoun county's Record readers are listed as follows: BETHANY 11; BRUCE 138; CALHOUN CITY 65; COLLEGE HILL 8; DERMA 63; PITTSBORO 32; SHILOH 8; SPRING HILL 1; OLDTOWN 5; ROCK MTN. 9; MACEDONIA 5; PLEASANT RIDGE 4; MT. MORIAH 13; SAREPTA 3; MERIDIAN 10; VARDAMAN 68; GASTON SPRINGS 15; OAK GROVE 5; BETHEL 9.

Tupelo

All the work at Tupelo seems to be making prog-

CHAPLAIN TELLS OF VICTORIES OF SPIRIT IN REPORT FROM FRONT LINES IN NEW GUINEA

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ing I buried his body, but his soul had gone to be with the Lord. . . . One of my most inspiring services was on Christmas morning while we were in a rest area. There, under the palms, with the artillery booming in the distance and planes roaring overhead, we sang Christmas carols, read the story of the birth of Christ, and spoke briefly on its meaning. . . . Contacts were made, sermons preached, prayer meetings held, not with crowds of soldiers but with one man at a time. I remember a certain case of a man who was seriously shell shocked. His capacity to think was entirely shattered and he had no will to move. I talked long with him under a tree, and, finally, in faltering words he repeated a short prayer after me. Later the doctor said he was in better shape mentally and physically and spiritually than at any time since he entered the hospital.

Chaplain Jorgensen was born in Dickinson, North Dakota. He is a minister of the Congregational Christian Church, and was educated at Wheaton College, Illinois; Westminster Seminary, Pennsylvania, and Faith Seminary, Delaware.

NEW MISSIONARIES APPOINTED AT HISTORIC DEBT-PAYING MEETING

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aggressive members of the Board, was adopted. That report challenges Southern Baptists to undertake in dead earnest to pay the debt of love which they owe to all the world. That program will appear in the denominational press soon. Every Southern Baptist should study it carefully.

The Board appointed eighteen new missionaries, as fine a group of young men and women as it has ever sent out. These new missionaries and their preferred fields are: Maurice John Anderson, native of Laporte, Mich., Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, Near East or Europe; Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Jackson Combs, Jr., of the Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky., South America; Darline Elliott, Southwestern Seminary, Texas, Mexico or South America; Mr. and Mrs. James Henry Hagood, Southwestern Seminary, Syria; E. Milford Howell, Southwestern Seminary, Africa or Colombia; Eleanor Katherine O'Haver, Southwestern Seminary, Africa; Mr. and Mrs. James Franklin Mitchell, Southern Baptist Seminary, Chile; Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Johnson Schmidt, Southern Baptist Seminary, South America; Mr. and Mrs. Tockwell Bette Sears, Southern Baptist Seminary, China; Miss Oleta Elizabeth Snell, Southwestern Seminary, South America; Ethel Fay, W. M. U. Training School, Louisville, Ky., China, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Reed Townsend, Southwestern Seminary, Africa or China.

Howard L. Jenkins, president of the Board, gave the members and missionaries present a dinner, with appropriate exercises celebrating the payment of the Board's debts. Brief messages were heard from Mr. Jenkins, two president of Richmond creditor banks, representatives of the W. M. U., and Dr. Maddry, after which the old cancelled note of \$1,200,000 was burned. Motion pictures were taken

ress. While in the meeting at Plantersville we had a few minutes of fellowship with Pastors Powell, Holcomb, Satterwhite and Berryhill. All were busy as usual. Each one was making preparations for the Crusade revival.

Pontotoc

While assisting in the Crusade revival at Plantersville we couldn't resist the temptation to run over to Pontotoc, our former pastorate. We heard several people express their appreciation of their new pastor, John W. Cook.

All the work at Pontotoc is on the upgrade. Finances are in good shape. Recently the church voted to send a part of the surplus which was left over from last year's budget for the Cooperative Program.

Pontotoc county has Record readers listed as follows: CHERRY CREEK 39; ECUR 5; LONGVIEW 89; PONTOTOC 145; RANDOLPH 4; TOCCOPOLA 23; TURNPIKE 1; ZION 14; THAXTON 1; HURRICANE 4; TOXISH 24.

OUR HOPE CONVENTION 1943

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Spiritual Power" given by Dr. Dana, consecration, faith, self-surrender, prayer. Prayer undergirds it all. How much could be accomplished in the service for Christ if His friends really prayed as they should and as He wants them to! Evil could be overcome, temptation would lose its power, darkness would give way to light. Chadwick has said: "The devil laughs at our toil; mocks at our wisdom but trembles when we pray."

Madame Chiang Kai-Shek, the great-souled woman of China, called by some the First Lady of the World, paid tribute to a Christian home in these words: "One of my strongest childhood impressions is that of my mother going to a room she kept for the purpose on the third floor to pray. She spent hours in prayer. When we asked her advice about anything she would say 'I must ask God first.' Asking God was not a matter of spending five minutes to ask Him to bless her child and grant the request. It meant waiting upon God until she felt His leadership." There's a lesson in this testimony for us. If we could only realize that prayer based on faith really is the Christian's source of power and strength. "If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed . . . nothing shall be impossible unto you." Someone has said, "Nothing lies beyond the reach of prayer except that which lies outside the will of God."

We want to call attention to a book on prayer listed in our course of study. The name is "Prayer," the author Hallesby. If you do not have a copy of this book, get one. Study it and lead your group to study it. A friend now serving as chaplain in New Guinea in the South Pacific recently in a letter referred to this helpful book, saying what it had meant to him personally and in his efforts to help others. It is a strong book on prayer. Also we, each of us, would not fail to continue to use that great little book from the pen of Dr. Carver, "If Two Agree." The author himself a man of prayer, teaches us through the experience of pray we learn to live in an unbroken sense of fellowship with God and thus prayer with us as with Jesus becomes a conference with our Heavenly Father in the name of Jesus our Saviour. This devotional book invites continued study and use. Keep it close by and let it help solve the "problem of prayer."

Mrs. Browning once asked Charles Kingsley what was the secret of his strong and beautiful life. He replied "I had a friend."

God's word tells us "he that hath friends must prove himself friendly and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother." What a friend we have in Jesus! Are we His friends? He has provided a way for us to prove it. "Ye are my friends if ye do whatsoever I command you." As we face the future, our trust is in God. May He give us the faith and courage as His friends to help prepare the way for the reign of the Prince of Peace.

This day, tomorrow, always, we have a Friend who will go with us steadily and guide us surely to our journey's end. Again we ask the question, Are we HIS friend? Can He surely count on us? Will we let Him guide us into paths of service "that all may know that He is the Lord."

MRS. NED RICE.

Recent visitors to The Baptist Record office included the following: Birdie Ingram, Soso; Mrs. J. A. Hinton, Soso; J. T. Carter, Summerland; Guy A. Little, Pinola; C. K. Lowther, Jackson; O. P. Estes, Picayune; Mrs. D. W. Nix, Poplarville; Mrs. Phil J. Walker, Poplarville; Mrs. Bertha Belt, Natchez; Bryan Simmons, Laurel; Rev. Wm. M. Tabb, Wesson; Mrs. W. E. Hardy, Raleigh; Mrs. J. R. Lawson, Raleigh; Geo. W. Griffin, Washington, D. C.; Owen Williams, Jr., Utica; M. P. Jones, Hazlehurst; Mrs. J. T. Carter, Summerland; Mrs. C. G. Davis, Summerland; A. B. Pierce, New Albany; N. G. Hickman, Indianola; Earl George, Clinton; Wm. M. Tabb, Wesson; Oscar B. Roberts, Clinton; R. E. Langley, Terry.

of every feature of the program, preserving to posterity in pictorial form the memorable occasion.

A record-breaking attendance upon the part of the members was reported, all members, both local and state, were present, except two, who were absent on account of illness.

NAVY CHAPLAINS' SCHOOL IS NOW LOCATED AT HISTORIC WILLIAMSBURG, VA.

Williamsburg, Va.—In this historic city are now situated one of the oldest and one of the youngest schools in the country—the College of William and Mary, second oldest in the United States, founded in 1693, and the Navy Chaplains' school, established little more than a year ago.

The Navy school is in its first month on the famed William and Mary campus. It was organized at Norfolk, Va., in February of 1942 for the purpose of providing a two-month course of training for newly-commissioned chaplains, and was moved to Williamsburg on March 24, 1943.

Student chaplains live in Old Dominion Hall and conduct their class work in Marshall Wythe Hall. Protestant morning devotions are conducted in the chapel designed by the famous architect, Sir Christopher Wren, and constructed in 1695. Another chapel on the ground floor of the residential hall is available to Catholics for private devotions.

The basic purpose of the training course has been described as that of helping clergymen to "take off their civilian shoes and put on their running spikes." According to Captain C. A. Neyman (ChC), U. S. N., officer-in-charge of the school, the novice chaplains show good spirit in adapting themselves to the necessities of their new life.

The nature of these necessities soon becomes apparent to the students, who discover early that they are in for one of the busiest two-month periods of their lives. The daily schedule calls for morning devotions at 6:45 and breakfast at 7:15. Classes are held from 8 a. m. until noon, and from 1 p. m. until 3 p. m. Physical drill completes the afternoon. Evenings are occupied with study, edu-

cational motion pictures, or special classes.

Classroom work includes first aid instruction, courses outlining the duties of chaplains, lectures on the relationship of the chaplain to Navy relief and Red Cross, a course on the regulations which govern the Navy, and lectures on psychology and pastoral counseling.

One highlight of the eight weeks is the "Shakedown Cruise" when students are assigned to understudy chaplains at work at naval activities in the area. Here they put to test the ideas gleaned from their classes, in order to obtain the answers to any questions that may arise before they leave school to go out on their own.

This field work continues for two weeks. During the other six weeks, once each week, the chaplains make a field trip to explore some phase of the many naval activities in the vicinity—the Navy Yard at Portsmouth, the Naval Air Station, and the Naval Operating Base at Norfolk.

The staff at the school is well qualified to arm the graduating chaplains with the best available information. Chaplain Neyman, officer-in-charge, has been a navy chaplain since 1918, and has had varied experience both at training stations and at sea.

Two of the instructors have come very recently from sea duty. Commander Edward B. Harp, ChC, USN, Executive Officer of the school, is a survivor of the aircraft carrier Hornet. Lieutenant Merrill F. Williams, ChC, USNR, is a survivor of the aircraft carrier Wasp, which was sunk last fall.

Lieut. Comdr. J. F. Robinson, ChC, USN, another instructor, has included service afloat and with the marines in his six years of navy experience. The school's personnel officer is Lieutenant O. P. Maddox, ChC, USN.

Lieutenant O. P. Maddox, ChC, USN, personnel officer of the school, is a Bap-

PREACHING AS THEY PRACTICE

We read in The Baptist Record the report of Pastor Norman W. Cox on "There is an acute crisis in the financial affairs of 95 per cent of our pastors in 1943." We share the concern that Pastor Cox and Editor Goodrich feel, for not only these pastors, but all workers in the Kingdom's cause. Something can be done about it. We do not wish to appear unkind in saying we believe if these pastors will be more faithful in one thing this acute crisis will soon end.

There is an old saying that "Preachers do not practice what they preach." Let us say, "Preachers practice tithing but do not preach it." They practice tithing, proving that believe it is God's plan for financing

tist, graduate of Georgetown College at Georgetown, Ky., and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., in 1934. He was pastor of the Spanish Baptist Church, Alamogordo, N. M., 1935-37; Williams Chapel Baptist Church, Springfield, Tenn., 1937-38; Grandview Baptist Church, El Paso, Texas, 1938-39. Chaplain Maddox entered the naval service in 1939.

Reports received from the chaplains trained at Norfolk show that the program is properly geared to fill the need of civilian clergymen who, in most instances, are having their first taste of military life. One recent graduate of the school commented: "I cannot tell you how much the Chaplains' School meant to me. Even more than the course of instruction do I value the privilege of associating with such men as are on the faculty. They have given me a vision of what the chaplaincy can mean. My prayer is that I may be able to live up to the vision."

First church, Shreveport, celebrated the thirty-first anniversary and the beginning of the thirty-second year of their pastor, Dr. M. E. Dodd, on Sunday, April 4. During these thirty-one years seven thousand, seven hundred and forty-six members have joined the church and \$3,165,387.92 has been raised for all purposes. During this time also, twelve other Baptist churches have been organized in the city, largely from First church.

His Kingdom. One can understand it is easy to shrink from appearing to ask for money for a cause when the pastor is in part a beneficiary. One can also understand that it was easy for Jonah to flee from what God wanted him to do. Perhaps this "whale" of a financial problem is bringing pastors back to their responsibilities to tell the Lord's redeemed to bring all of the tithes into His storehouse.

In The Baptist Record Pastor Day of the Louisville church told of having Pastor L. G. Gates in a stewardship revival, and approximately 135 members of his church signed tithing pledges. Each pastor may not be another L. G. Gates, but if they ask the Holy Spirit to use them as He did Dr. Gates, their members will sign the tithe pledge, too. God bless you as you preach what you practice.—Milton Payne.

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"He beats his wife up almost every day."

"Why, I simply can't believe such a thing."

"Yes, he gets up at 6 o'clock; she, not till 7."

EVANGELISM!

Daily, we continue to receive wonderful messages regarding the Evangelistic Crusade. We list a few of these reports as follows:

Rev. J. B. Flowers, Winona, sends in an interesting statement about their meeting with Rev. Chester Quarles, visiting preacher. Thirteen additions, thirty reconsecrations, and he writes this message: "Our meeting was a great blessing to our church in these times of world trouble. It met a need in the only way it could be met, a gospel message, from a gospel preacher." Brother Flowers also reports a fine meeting at Mission Baptist Church, Montgomery county.

Pastor W. C. Kitchens, Winston county, reports fine meetings from the following churches of which he is pastor: Macedonia, Yellow Creek, Gum Branch, Antioch, Harmony, Holly Grove and Oak Grove. There were a number of additions and reconsecrations. Winston county cooperated wholeheartedly in the Crusade.

From West Point, Brother J. E. Barnes, Jr., comes a splendid account of the revival at Siloam in Clay Association. Brother Barnes writes that despite the bad weather, congregations were good. Three additions to the church and many lost requesting prayer.

From Brother Bryan Simmons we received the following report: "Brother B. S. Hilburn was with us at Bethel and Sharon Sunday afternoon and night. There was encouraging results at both places. One man pledged to plant an acre and several women pledged to raise chickens at Bethel. I could not be at the service. At Sharon the deacons had already agreed to recommend the Lord's Store House and Lord's Acre plan and after Brother Hilburn's discussion it was easy to get the congregation to agree. As results we are expecting larger contributions to our denominational work and a modern church building. May the Lord use him in many places to enlarge the vision and increase the response to the call of His Kingdom program." Doxology!

Rev. Wm. F. Garner, Holcomb, writes as follows about their meeting: "Cascilla Baptists are still rejoicing that they took part in the 'EVANGELISTIC CRUSADE,' from Sunday evening, March 21, to Friday evening of that week. The morning services were held at 11:00 o'clock in the high school auditorium. Rev. Guy Little did the preaching and he endeared himself, through his earnest messages of Jesus, to the people of this community."

Dr. J. R. G. Hewlett, fine pastor from Tallahatchie, sends in reports from his churches as follows: Clear Creek, Friendship No. 1, Mt. Pisgah and Pope in Panola. There were many professions of faith, additions to the church and lost requesting prayer.

Pastor R. D. Pearson, Macon, sends in a fine report of the meeting at Bethel, in Winston county.

A letter from Pastor Dolfis Hardin, Sunflower, contains an encouraging note: "We are still rejoicing in the fruits of your influence and work while with us during the meeting. Two weeks ago there were three more additions to the church on professions of faith. At New Hope (Yeager Place at Drew) we seem to have perennial evangelism, for there are additions at almost every service."

Deep spiritual results are manifest as the outcome of the revival at Calvary church, Warren county. Pastor Cranford writes this message: "The Holy Spirit does not work just in the Summer, but twelve months in the year, if only we will pay the price and put forth every earnest effort. Our EVANGELISTIC CRUSADE proved that." He is doing a fine work in his church.

Pastor A. B. Pierce, New Albany, gives a very interesting account of the meeting in his church. Brother Pierce did the preaching and Rev. Ray F. Dykes led the singing. There were 62 additions to the church and 42 of them on profession of faith. More than 100 reconsecrations and sixteen dedications for life service.

In sending in a report from the revival at Oxford, First church, Dr. Purser writes: "We believe much good has come from this concerted effort. In the church here at Oxford we have been greatly blessed by all this special work, and by the preaching of Dr. James A. Stewart of Clarksdale. There were twenty-four additions to the church."

Rev. G. O. Parker, Magee, sends in fine messages about the revivals at Juniper church and also at Magee church. There were several additions and reconsecrations.

Vardaman church had a fine spiritual meeting, according to Pastor J. B. Dorroh. There were seven additions to the church.

Rev. Robert Martin, Rocky Springs church, reports a fine meeting; seven additions, forty reconsecrations, and lost requesting prayer. He also reports a good spiritual revival at Concord church.

Dr. H. L. Martin, Senatobia, writes: "We had a real revival and others will join church later. There were 31 additions and 149 reconsecrations. Fine cooperation in membership. Attendance broke all records here, overflowing auditorium. We are deeply grateful."

New Hope Baptist Church, Tate county, had a fine revival, with Pastor H. J. Rushing doing the preaching.

Pastor A. A. Ward, Lena, sends in very interesting messages about the revivals in his churches as follows: Cedar Grove, Midway, Friendship-Lena, and Tuscola. Brother Ward is carrying on the work of the Lord Jesus in a great way.

A good report comes from Good Hope church, Leake county, with Rev. N. F. Davis, Jr., doing the preaching. Brother Charlie Tyler is pastor.

Pastor J. B. Smith, Hollandale, sends an enthusiastic report of their Crusade meeting. Brother J. W. Sturdivant did the preaching and Rev. Earl C. Edwards led the singing. Twenty-five additions to the church, eighty-six reconsecrations and many lost asking for prayer.

Rev. Martin V. McKinster, Crowder, gives report of a successful meeting in his church at Crowder, with Dr. Bracey Campbell as visiting minister.

"I love to tell the story
'Twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story
Of Jesus and His love."

Mississippi Baptist Convention Board

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GOOD PLANNING

Mr. C. E. Nichols, of Holly Springs, the Associational Vacation Bible school leader of Marshall Association, has ordered several packages of the free Vacation Bible school literature, and adds this word: "We are going to try to get all the churches of Marshall county to put on a Vacation Bible school this summer."

This is certainly the spirit that wins, and by going after it 100% we will always reach a much higher margin in the work than to aim for less. The associational Vacation Bible school leaders certainly have a great opportunity in promoting a phase of work that is indeed most vital in helping to give to our boys and girls some valuable teaching and training during several of their idle hours during the Vacation period.

A Good Beginning

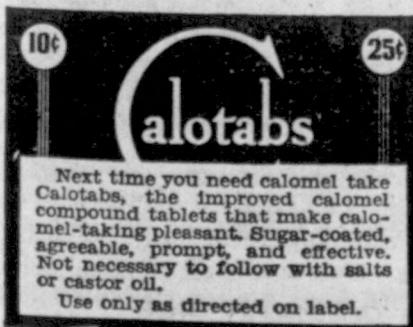
In a letter to us about another matter, the new pastor at Crystal Springs, Rev. Joe T. Odle, adds a word about their Sunday school as follows: "In the Sunday school we already have several plans under way. A census will be taken in May. April and May have been designated as 'Take a Study Course at Home' Months, and we hope to see every worker taking at least one book during this period. A Vacation Bible school will be held in May. I will not be satisfied until our Sunday school is averaging over 400 all the time. And we are buying bonds now to be used in building a new Educational Building after the war. We are also striving to bring the school up to the standard and we hope to make that application soon."

That is certainly a very progressive program of Sunday school work. Every item mentioned is essential to the best progress of the school. Nothing helps quite so much as good planning well in advance of the major matters pertaining to Sunday school development. We certainly wish them every success in this great program of Sunday school work.

"Let Me Suggest"

By Mrs. Walter L. Jones
Cradle Roll Superintendent
Third Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo.
"There's a big day coming"—in most churches of the Southern Baptist Convention! How about yours? Is it among those last "minute-ites" who always intend that, "this year we will plan to plan a Cradle Roll Day"? To churches such as these, this column is dedicated.

Maybe you have decided that in the present crisis and rush to do so many needful things we may allow ourselves to overlook this recognition service for the "littlest ones." Your church



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and your pastor can help parents to plan the better world of tomorrow that we are looking forward to today. Much depends on the Cradle Roll contacts.

The Cradle Roll department workers strive persistently during the year to develop a closer co-ordination between the church and the home. Cradle Roll Day, when carried out according to the annual program (which is free upon request), can climax many decisions.

The other day while walking through a large furniture store, this sign attracted my attention: "THIS YEAR, HOMES MEAN MORE!" Underneath was a further statement, reading thus: "Help keep up the spirit of 1943 in the homes we're fighting for." I would like to add a few words to that statement so it would read, "CHRISTIAN HOMES MEAN MORE AT SUCH A TIME AS THIS." "Let's keep up the spiritual side."

The store's main purpose, of course, was that of boosting the sale of furniture; while ours is to convince people of the advantage and value of a life consecrated to Christ. There is no better way of "selling" this idea than by observing regularly a service dedicated to the 'least of these.'

All churches should feel called—especially so in view of the turbulent times—to arrange a special day for this very important service. Why not set the date now? Today, when all the world is fighting for its very life, Christians must unite to fight for their homes with their present security and the privilege of rearing their children in peace and the light of Christ's teaching.

Yours for A CRADLE ROLL IN EVERY CHURCH!

The title of the Cradle Roll Day program suggested for this year is "Unto the Least of These." Three free copies are available on request to your state Sunday school department.

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Unique in educational circles, both Christian and secular, the Wheaton College Summer School program is designed to provide educational and spiritual opportunities for all age groups.

Ten weeks of accredited work are offered in a two-week inter-session and two four-week summer school semesters. In conjunction with the inter-session will be held a two-week Alumni Institute and a one-week Bible conference dealing with current world problems.

Commencement Day, June 14, marks the beginning of the summer program. President V. Raymond Edman heads the list of outstanding speakers which includes Vaughn Shoemaker, Rev. Peter Rees Joshua, Dr. William Culbertson, Dr. H. C. Thiessen, "Uncle John" Meredith, Colonel F. J. Miles and Dr. H. A. Ironside.

Six special courses in Bible, Anthropology, Education, Missions, and Current History will be offered in the inter-session. A faculty of authorities in these fields will discuss the latest world developments. A maximum of ten hours can be taken in the regular summer school, which covers the entire curriculum. During the second term an extension camp is maintained in the South Dakota Black Hills for science students.

EVANGELIST T. T. MARTIN'S "GOD'S PLAN WITH MEN"

A New Edition

No library size and style religious book of the day ever went through as many editions as the late T. T. Martin's book on the plan of salvation—"God's Plan with Men." Since Brother Martin's death I have had inquiries from all over the nation about this book. I found that Fleming H. Revell still had the plates to this work. I personally paid Revell to make the run of a new edition of "God's Plan with Men." This they have done. All the proceeds from the sale of this great book will go to finance the publishing and the sale of Dr. Martin's last piece of work, "Viewing Life's Sunset From Pike's Peak"—his autobiography. It is then arranged with the family that the proceeds from this life story of Dr. Martin will go to establish a "T. T. Martin Memorial Scholarship" in the Negro Seminary in Nashville, Tenn. Dr. Martin was always obsessed with a passion to do something for the education of young Negro preachers. He left his life story in my hands. I have been hindered in its publication. The sale of this edition of "God's Plan with Men" will provide ample money to bring out five thousand copies of his life story. My blessed Lord knows that I shall not make one penny of profit off of it. I know of nothing that would please Brother Martin so much, could he know it, as the establishment of a scholarship for the education of young Negro preachers as a memorial to his marvelous life work.

Everyone who knows the book, knows that "God's Plan with Men" is the greatest book ever written in this country on the plan of salvation. It sold for \$1.50 originally. And if it were sold through ordinary agencies it would have to sell for that now. But handling the whole thing myself I can offer it for \$1.25. Order from Evangelist A. D. Muse, 1270 Carr Ave., Memphis, Tenn., and it will be mailed to you at once.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT AND SYMPATHY

WHEREAS, our sister, Mrs. R. S. Hayward, has been taken from our midst by death;

WHEREAS, she was a most devout Christian, a most loyal member of the Marks Baptist Church, and a most faithful member of the Woman's Missionary Society;

WHEREAS, we are deeply conscious that in her death the Baptist church and the Missionary Society have sustained an irreparable loss;

THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Woman's Missionary Society of Marks:

First, that we genuinely mourn the loss of a gracious friend and untiring collaborator;

Second, we extend to her family our deepest sympathy;

Third, that in our prayers, we commit the bereaved ones to the comfort of our heavenly Father, and

Fourth, that these resolutions be made a part of the permanent records of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Baptist church.

Respectfully submitted:

MRS. F. H. HAMMOND,
MRS. W. W. POWELL,
MRS. A. C. COVINGTON.

TAVERN BECOMES RELIGIOUS CENTER

Minneapolis—A group of Minneapolis business men and ministers exhibited a high degree of salesmanship when they convinced the proprietor of a tavern adjacent to Fort Snelling that his building could be put to better use as a Christian social and religious center for the boys.

The proprietor was engaged in turning the old saloon into an up-to-date modern tavern, when he was approached by the business men. The remodeling was continued, but the new bar was equipped for soft drinks, and tables were adapted to purposes of a reading and writing room.

Christian Cheer Center, Inc., is the result. Prominent political and social figures of the state including Governor Harold E. Stassen are on the advisory board.

The Center is at the opposite side of a bridge from the Fort. Elimination of the former tavern means no tavern immediately proximate to the military reservation. Fort Snelling is where 400 members of the transportation service corps, headed by Brig. General Carl Grey recently volunteered to testify to their Christian faith in Minneapolis churches.

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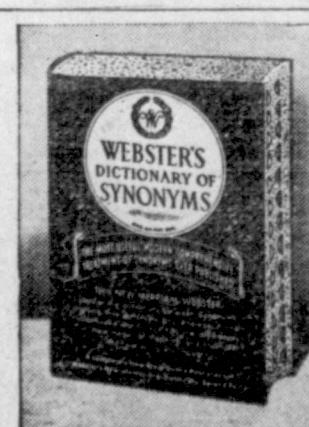


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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell

Lesson for April 25

THE RESURRECTION

Bible Text: John 20:1-18

Introduction.

Read the passage through. Now do it again. Now read the first two verses. Notice what Mary of Magdalene said to Peter and John. Notice how she reached them. Now read verses three to eight. Why do you suppose John outran Peter? Upon reaching the tomb, how did these men act differently? Why did John go into the tomb at all? What is meant by John when he says he "believed"? Had he not already done that? They

had been taught the Old Testament during all their boyhood, why, then, did not Peter and John "yet know the Scripture," that He must rise from the dead? What did Peter and John do after they had seen the empty tomb? Where did they go? Whom did they tell that the tomb was empty? How did this differ from the conduct of Mary? Now read verses nine to eighteen. In verse two we see Mary at the home of Peter and John, where she went to tell them that the tomb of the Lord was empty. Now she is back at the tomb. Why did she come back? Why was she weeping? Did she expect to see the Lord? Do you think she knew upon seeing them that the two occupants of the tomb were angels? How do you account for the fact that she "knew not that it was Jesus"? Our Lord spoke a number of words to Mary, but she did not recognize Him; then He spoke one word to her and she recognized Him at once. Why? What does the name by which she called Jesus mean? Our Lord told Mary not to touch Him: a few days later, He told Thomas to touch Him. Why the positive command in the one case and the prohibition in the other?

I. A Word Concerning Mary.

Mary of Magdalene loved her Lord after such manner and to such degree that she commanded His attention. The heart of the Lord simply must respond to a love that will not, can not let Him go. She had stood by the cross after all others of His loved ones had gone. She came to the tomb of her Lord before the nearest of His disciples saw fit to be there. Mary had faithfully ministered to His needs for more than two years, leaving her home and using her money to minister to His needs as He preached the gospel of the Kingdom. To her whose love was strongest, most constant and unyielding, most patient and long-suffering, our Lord first showed Himself alive after His suffering. Thus, was rewarded the grateful love of one who thought a life of complete devotion to Him a price very modest to

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pay for deliverance from demon possession.

Please give your assistance in correcting the tragic misinterpretation of Scripture which identifies Mary with the sinful woman of Luke 7:35-50. The large dictionaries all will tell you that a woman of unchaste habits is called a Magdalene. When I was a boy, I read a novel by an English writer who chose as a title for her book, "A True Magdalene," and it was the story of a woman who was unchaste. But there is no syllable of Scripture to support any theory that Mary of Magdalene was sexually impure. She was a woman of influence, doubtless of means, who had become a victim of demon possession, and the Lord had healed her. She lived after her restoration a life of devotion to her Lord, though never after this day does she appear in the Bible story.

II. A Message From the Empty Tomb.

Mary saw an empty tomb, and thought, as all the others, men and women who saw first, that the Jews had stolen the body of the Lord and had conveyed it away somewhere. But Mary saw it first and, believing that the fact of the empty tomb ought to be brought into possession of the disciples, went at once to tell the ones whom she considered foremost among them what she had seen. She was a witness to a fact that she thought of importance to her friends, and she went to bear her witness where she thought it might do good.

She doubtless thinks her Lord is dead and all His labors but still in love she calls Him "Lord," as she tells Peter and John that His enemies have stolen His body away.

III. Peter and John Visit the Tomb.

Peter and John started for the tomb immediately upon Mary's telling them that "they" had taken away the Lord. Would not you love to know what the two men thought as they went running toward the tomb? We are distinctly told that, "As yet they knew not the Scriptures, that He must rise from the dead." What were they thinking as they ran? What purposes were they revolving as they went toward the tomb? Powerful emotions of some sort were playing upon them, else they would not have been running.

But John was the nimbler runner: he outran Peter. Maybe he was that much younger; but he reached the tomb first, at any rate. At the tomb he stopped. Why do you suppose John did not go in? He stooped to look in and saw what there was to see, but stayed himself on the outside. Not so, Peter, when he reached the tomb. He just stooped and went into the tomb, and saw from the inside what John had seen from without. The two saw the grave-clothes in which the body of the Lord had been swathed lying there, and the napkin which had been bound about His head, folded and lying to itself.

But now John goes into the tomb also and after Peter. Why? John had stopped without, but now he goes in. Would he have gone into the tomb if Peter had not gone in first? Did he go in because Peter was already in, or had gone in? Is this a case of unconscious influence? If so, does it illustrate any principle of human action? What?

Because they did not yet know the meaning of the empty tomb, they went back home and kept silence. At least we are not told that they told



Blue Mountain, Miss.—This student of Blue Mountain College, Betty Ann Schwerdtman, of St. Louis, Mo., is now a corporal in the WAAC.

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An investment in the boys and girls of the Orphanage pays big dividends. Your contribution on Mother's Day to this worthy cause will help to continue the program of Christian training for the ones already there and many others who will be admitted during the year.

anyone of what they had seen at the tomb. Can you say why?

IV. Our Lord's First Post-Resurrection Appearance.

The grateful heart found it hard to give up the object of its grateful love. The body of Him who had wrought deliverance for Mary of Magdalene while she was thrall to demoniac power had been stolen; but she must go back to the spot where last she had seen it, and look again. So the loser goes back to look for a lost treasure to the point where he knows that he last had it in possession.

To Mary there was the appearance of angels sent by her Lord to comfort her. She failed, I think, to recognize them, being blinded by her tears. But she gives them the reason for her tears. Somebody has taken the body of her Lord away, and she does not know where to look for it.

Then the Lord Himself appears to her. I wonder why she does not recognize Him at once? Did it please Him to leave her in doubt a bit longer? Did He not very well know why she was weeping? Why have her restate the reason for her grief? And then He pronounced her name. It is a beautiful name, do you not think? How do you suppose He pronounced it? Suppose you try to pronounce it as you think He did. What all do you suppose He expressed by the manner in which He pronounced her name? How much of the same tenderness and fullness of meaning could you express in pronouncing the name, Mary? Suppose you try, earnestly, again! Again! Again! When He shall pronounce your name, will there be something in the tone and accent which will tell you it is He that calls?

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"Say, what does that fellow remind you of?"

"Usually of a little debt I owe him."

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1. The word "mammon" in Matthew 6:24, has a meaning. What is it?

2. What is the meaning of "two mules burden of earth" as found in II Kings 5:17?

3. When a group of persons is called "disciples," could you explain what "disciple" means?

4. Psalm 90 carries a title, "A prayer of Moses, the man of God." Since Moses lived over a thousand years B. C., you will find interest in answers to "Know Your Bible," No. 4. (Correct answer on Page 15)

The Baptist Orphanage belongs to the Baptist churches of Mississippi. Since its beginning thousands of children who were helpless have been given a home and training through this agency of the church. It would be impossible to estimate the worth of this service to society, to the state and the Kingdom of God. The church takes pride in what it is doing for so many dependent orphan children. But right here we should ask the question, Are we doing as much as we should for these children? Some would answer YES, others would answer NO. Someone has said, "The church's obligation extends as far as the needs of the children go." Those who make a contribution to this cause will find themselves greatly enriched because they have made an offering in order that the children of the Orphanage might have "the more abundant life."

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PINOLA

The Pinola Baptist Church is planning and looking forward to Sunday, April 25, as a red letter day in its history. Everyone that has been attending the services is being asked to bring at least one who has not been attending. Outside of this, a card is being sent to those who have not been regular attendants, extending to them a cordial invitation signed by the pastor. Dr. D. A. McCall will speak at the eleven o'clock hour.

I want to take this opportunity to extend to all an invitation to come and worship with us.

GUY A. LITTLE, Pastor.

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THE BAPTIST RECORD

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Baptist Training Union

AIM—Training in Church Membership

AUBER J. WILDS, State Secretary
OXFORD, MISS.

Vicksburg First Beats Record

First Vicksburg has just completed a successful training school for their Training Union. This course was set for the last week in March and the results were beyond the expectations of many. This expression came from a number who have been carrying on in this good church for a long time, "It was the best we have had in a long time, and one of the best we have ever had." Mr. Morgan, educational director, in planning for the classes was instructed to order so many books. He had larger faith so just doubled the order and found that he had made no mistake. The people came. Eighty-five took the examination on Friday night with a good many others to take it later, not being able to be there on Friday. The total will reach about 100 for examination. Congratulations, First Vicksburg.

Allen W. Graves Resigns

The call of the pastorate was too great for Dr. Allen W. Graves, who for about two years has been Young People's leader in the Training Union Department of the Sunday School Board, Nashville. Dr. Graves won for himself a warm place in the hearts of Southern Baptist leaders. He has done a masterful job in this short period, but feels that the pastorate is where the Lord wants him, so goes, about May 1st, to be pastor of First Baptist Church, Fort Pierce, Florida. Our prayers go with him. We congratulate these Florida and Fort Pierce Baptists.

Next week we will give a list of dates and places of meeting for the District Conventions. We are expecting these meetings to top past records in attendance.

Volunteers For Summer Work

Recently the question was asked: "Would you use a school teacher past college age?" Well we do, every summer. These older friends usually have more experience and are the more acceptable. If you are in this class and would like for your summer vacation time to contribute to Kingdom progress, write Auber J. Wilds, Oxford, Miss., a card. Please state what experience you have had.

A Salute to the District Training Union Convention

Young People's Speaking Tournament

The subject for the Speakers' Tournament this year, 1943, is "Alcohol the Destroyer." Any subject you select on this general subject will be acceptable. We are listing below a number that are timely.

Each church should have an elimination contest, getting as many of the young people to speak as possible. The winner in the church will represent the Association in the District Convention. If your Association does not have the elimination contest, your church will be allowed to enter its winner in the District Convention.

Rules to Observe

1. Contestants must be members of the B. Y. P. U., or hold office in the

Training Union. (Ages 17-24, inclusive.)

2. Each speaker will be allowed five minutes.

3. Each speaker must compose his own speech. It is permissible to quote from material gathered from any source, but proper credit must be given for all quoted material.

4. Suggested subjects:

Faith in God Overcomes the Liquor Evil; Conquering the Liquor Habit Through the Indwelling Christ; Spiritual Power versus the Power of Strong Drink; Alcohol Destroys the Home; Liquor, the Enemy of Our Churches; Beverage Alcohol: The Saboteur; The Gospel of Christ and Liquor Propaganda; Beverage Alcohol Destroys Human Personality; Baptists and the Crusade Against Beverage Alcohol; The Christian Solution of the Alcohol Problem; World Peace and the Alcohol Evil; Beverage Alcohol and the War Effort; Building a Christian Community by Combating the Liquor Evil; The Place of Christian Education in Combating the Liquor Evil; Beverage Alcohol and Personal Stewardship; Beverage Alcohol's Allies; The Trail of Liquor; Exposing the Liquor Ads; Liquor an Enemy of Spiritual Life; Total Abstinence a Cornerstone for Right Living; How Liquor Defeats Youth; Alcohol a Fifth Columnist; No, Thank You; Total Abstinence a Courageous Way of Life; Beverage Alcohol, the Great Destroyer.

5. Contestants will be judged on the three points: (1) Content—25%; (2) Composition—25%; (3) Delivery—50%.

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"Much misconception and bitterness are spared to him who thinks naturally upon what he owes to others, rather than what he ought to expect from them." Be grateful for your present status in life by making an offering to the Baptist Orphanage on Mother's Day.



In Belgium alone there are more than 130 secret newspapers published in French or Flemish. The National Front for Liberation has published 6 monthly papers totaling 54,000 copies. Sixty-three



thousand pamphlets against the employment of Belgian workers in Germany have been distributed. Each section of the country has its own "anti-Nazi" newspaper. But Himmler's firing squads exact their price.

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BREAD CAST UPON THE WATERS

By Theodore Whitfield
Pocahontas, Miss.

Not only does the Lord visit the sins of parents on the children to the third and fourth generation, but He says He also visits loving-kindness to the third and fourth generation of those who love God and keep His commandments. I was the recipient in a very remarkable way once of some of this loving-kindness that came to me on account of the good deeds done by my grandfather and my mother and done by them years before I was even born. It came about in the following manner:

After I had been away from Mississippi, my native state, for some fourteen years, I was homesick to come back, and so I wrote a number of my friends that were pastors in Mississippi asking them to help me get work back home, but it all came to naught. Reading in The Baptist Record that the McComb First church was pastorless I wrote to a schoolmate who had been their pastor, asking him to tell them about me, but he did not so much as answer my letter. Becoming then desperate or reckless I just sat down and addressed a letter to the pulpit committee of the church itself saying that I could supply for them a Sunday if they needed such. It was a forward thing to do but, in the providence of God, the brother who received it did not take offense but wrote me they needed the pulpit filled a certain Sunday, and so I went.

On the Sunday morning as I walked with the deacon the two blocks to the church he said to me that the church was going to call a pastor that morning; that they had had four men to visit the church and preach trial sermons with reference to a call. "And," continued he, "we, the pulpit committee, are going to recommend to the church that they call one of those men." He then named the men—and he did not name me! So you know what I realized! Then furthermore—and with emphasis on his words—the deacon instructed me that, after preaching, I should call the chairman of the deacons to the stand and that I should leave the church and could go down town.

Well, with these instructions well in mind, we came to the church, the services were started and proceeded, and finally I arose in the pulpit to preach, when suddenly an aged man arose in the congregation just to my left and said, "Young man, wait. I want to speak." Of course all eyes turned on the man, for indeed he was the oldest of the deacons—a man loved and respected by all. He turned to the congregation and spoke these astonishing words: "My brethren, for nearly fifty years I have owed a debt which I want to pay today. Years ago when I, a Confederate chaplain, was returning from the Civil War—sick and penniless, I passed through Aberdeen in the northern part of the state and the grandfather of this young man received me into his home and kept me for a month—nursing me back to health, and when I was convalescing, his daughters—one of them this man's mother—used to take me riding in their carriage.

When I was finally well and strong, the old gentleman gave me gifts and sent me on my way home here where I have lived among you. I have never



Blue Mountain, Miss., April 13—This picture of Jones County Junior College girls, now enrolled at Blue Mountain College, was taken upon the occasion of a recent visit to the campus by Dr. W. E. Green, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Ellisville, Miss., at which time he filled the pulpit of the Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church morning and evening. Seated left to right are Flora McCullough, Columbia; Helen Gay Moody, Laurel; Jimmy Todd, Ellisville. Standing, are Betty Small, Erin Hocutt, Laurel; Dr. Green, Wilma Bonner, Ovett; Christine Giles, Waynesboro; Daisy Johnson, Taylorsville.

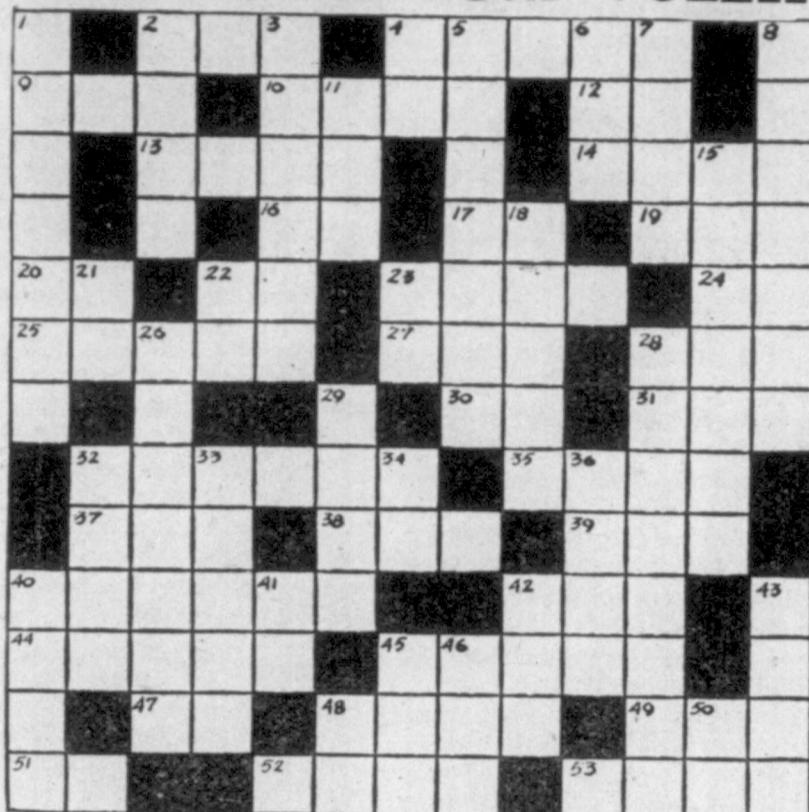
—BR—
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seen any of the man's family since or had any opportunity to do anything for them until today. But now in the presence of this young man, your preacher, I want to speak my gratitude for the kindness his grandfather and his mother showed me back yonder. I want to pay my debt today." Well, sir, you may know the people's hearts were mine before I had said a word. So I preached and then called the chairman to the stand as directed, and slipped out the side door. The pulpit committee made their report to the church, slips for voting were passed through the audience and the church called me on the first ballot. I stayed with the church eleven years and more, and never had a more blessed pastorate in my life.

The old gentleman—Dr. C. H. Otken was his name—passed away a few months after that Sunday and I buried him. He had lived a long and useful life, and the Lord let him die in peace—his last debt fully paid. You may call it bread cast upon the waters by my fore-parents which I gathered, or, as the Scriptures tell in another place of God visiting loving-kindness on the children's children of those who love God and keep His commandments.

—BR—
Dad—What's this 70 on your report card?
Son—I guess it's the temperature of the room.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



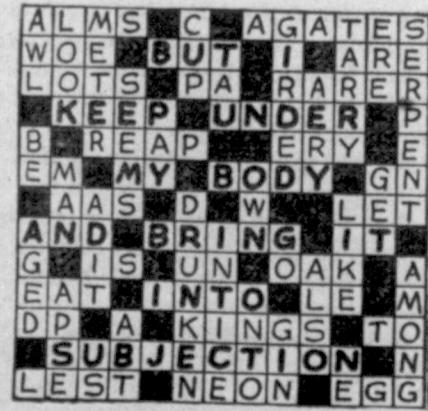
"Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise."—Prov. 6:6.

IDLENESS

Across

2 "... do we sit still," Jer. 8:14.
 4 "why ... ye gazing up," Acts 1:11.
 9 River (Sp.).
 10 Central American tree.
 12 Old English.
 13 "hand of the diligent shall bear ..." Prov. 12:24.
 14 "people ... when they heard the words," Neh. 8:9.
 16 Life guards.
 17 Doctor of divinity.
 19 Exclamation of contempt (var.).
 20 "done great things for ..." Ps. 126:3.
 22 "... are bought with a price," I Cor. 6:20.
 23 "Why sit we ... until we die," II Kings 7:3.
 24 Number of Psalm beginning "O Lord, rebuke me not."
 25 Having tides.
 27 Combining form denoting relation to the ear.
 28 "cast into the ... of lions," Dan. 6:7.
 30 High priest.
 31 Unit of work.
 32 "brother to him that is a great ..." Prov. 18:9.
 35 "the ... of the Pharisees," Acts 15:5.
 37 "In ... labour there is profit," Prov. 14:23.
 38 "though idleness of ... hands," Eccl. 10:18.
 39 "in the ... of temptation," Ps. 95:8.
 40 Jeers.
 42 "if ... would not work," II Thess. 3:10.
 44 Sea animal.
 45 Caterpillar hairs.
 47 Horse power.
 48 "... not sleep," Prov. 20:13.
 49 Put a label on.
 51 "... the days shall come," Amos 4:2.
 52 "found others standing ..." Matt. 20:6.

Answer to Last Week's Puzzle



"Do you like my new hat? Earned it myself."

"How was that?"

"I cut down on my husband's lunch and tobacco money."

—BR—

"Why were you late to work, young lady?"

"Because the bell rang before I got here."

MISSIONARY SAYS NORTH CHINA LIFE NOT DULL

There has been very little news since Dec. 1941 from Dr. and Mrs. Frank Connely in Tsining, North China. We are glad to pass on portions of a letter written in Tsining Sept. 22, 1942, and sent to Dr. Connely's father through a friend in free China:

"Life has not been dull here, since Bertha (Smith) left for the homeland the last of June. On the day their boat sailed from Shanghai, the military authorities of the neighboring isles came and informed us that our house and compound were needed for their own use and we were ordered to move to the Eames house, taking only the things which we absolutely needed. They would then take over all the rest for themselves. The poor Chinese had to shift for themselves and find places in which to live, but we were given the Eames house on the Presbyterian compound to move into. This was July. After living a month there, we were again visited and informed that the Eames house was needed for their use and we would have to move in with the two single ladies. We took only a bed and three chairs and dishes, this time. Just after we moved in August we were again visited by these authorities and had it made plain to us all that all would have to apply for repatriation. Mary and I had put in our application a few days before when we saw that they were just going to move us from pillar to post and not leave us any place very long at a time. We were told on Thursday that we should apply to leave and that baggage must be ready for inspection by Sunday. When visited Sunday, we were informed that baggage was too much and that each person would only be allowed one trunk and three suitcases. On Monday they were back and went through this small allowance, and they helped themselves to everything that struck their fancy even in that small allowance of baggage, as well as taking over all the things we couldn't pack in the one trunk, and locking them up in separate rooms. They even took all our food stores and locked them up. However, they returned the next day greatly humiliated. There would be no boat, they said, so they had to give back all the things they had taken, except small things that they had put inside their clothes and carried off. Each time they come to see us, they ask us for this and that, so that many cans of our most precious supplies, field glasses, Victrola, good records, etc., have been gradually taken away. They ask for them, rather than take by force, knowing that we don't dare refuse them, for then they will make things worse for us and they will get them in the end anyhow.

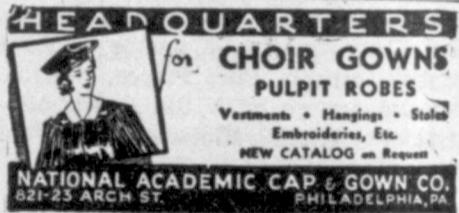
"After living at the ladies' for ten days, we were again visited by them and informed that they needed that house and we would have to move again (September this time). They

told Mary and me to move to the house occupied by the Chinese pastor of the Presbyterian church, and the two ladies to move in with Dr. and Mrs. Scovel and their five children. We felt right bad to have the pastor run out of his house. They just told him to get out and find a place for himself.

"So now we are comfortably settled in his house and Helen McClain moved in with us as it was too much (too hard on Scovels) for her to move in with the Scovels along with Miss Christman. We wonder how long we will be here. They still talk as though there will be another repatriation boat, and if there is, we will sail on it as there is nothing further we can do here to help the church and the authorities are not going to leave us peaceful as they promised. While we have lost a great deal of our supplies, we still have enough to get along all right as long as we can buy local Chinese food. So we have no real trouble. We are certainly a lot better off than most of the folks around us."

—BR—

Stockholm (By Wireless) — The Quisling church department has appointed two new clergymen whose sanity is somewhat in doubt. One individual, named Karl Flatland, is an alleged ex-convict and insane asylum inmate. Appointed to a pulpit in Premier Vidkun Quisling's own parish of Fyresdal in Telemark, he is reported to have confiscated the personal property of his predecessor, Otto Irgens, including the latter's suits. The other Quisling appointee is alleged to have been declared insane by several doctors.

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CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES
By Chester M. Savage

Called and Accepted

Jesse G. Cook, Lockhart, Tex.
C. A. Kincheloe, Hominy, Okla.
B. D. Vanderslice, Britton, Okla.
Jess Dittmore, Wallace Ave., Shawnee, Okla.

Cloyce P. Holland, Strong City, Okla.

Glenn Bryant, Asher, Okla.

Geo. C. Monroe, Jr., Doniphan, Mo.

Harry A. Rolf, Calvary, Pueblo, Colo.

Clyde C. Bryan, Bolivar, Tenn.

Haven C. Lowe, Butler, Tenn.

L. A. Staff, Jr., Welch, La.

J. G. Speake, Woodworth, La.

Calvin Forester, McKenzie, Ala.

Floyd Montgomery, Chaplain, U. S. Army.

Thornton Williams, Chaplain, U. S. Army.

Norman E. Hodges, Chaplain, U. S. Army.

A. B. Couch, Beecher Hills, Atlanta, Ga.

Robert Smith, Cuthbert, Ga.

Ben Wofford, Chaplain, U. S. Navy.

C. W. Henderson, Wadley, Ga.

Charles Blackmon, Zimmerman, Ark.

Dr. Sam C. Reeves, Chaplain, U. S. Army.

Silas B. Cooper, Chaplain, U. S. Army.

Claud Hagood, Chaplain, U. S. Army.

Virgil M. Gardner, Oxford, Ala.

G. S. Dailey, Anderson, Ala.

Earl Powell, Evergreen, Ala.

Brady Archer, Luverne, Ala.

Harold Johnson, Vinesville, Birmingham, Ala.

A. O. Allison, Elkhorn City, Ky.

Marion Parker, Fullerton, Ky.

Ward C. Morrison, Frankston, Tex.

Leon Ivey, Loganport, La.

W. S. Haley, Eunice, La.

R. K. Benfield, Hickory, N. C.

M. T. Smith, Woodbury, Ga.

C. D. Stewart, Glennville, Ga.

Bill Culbreth, Choctawhatchie, Ala.

C. W. Campbell, Porum, Okla.

O. L. Smith, Berryville, Ark.

H. M. Riek, Hollister, Okla.

C. T. Ricks, Checotah, Okla.

A. R. Waters, Catwaba, N. C.

J. C. Hedrick, Dickson, Tenn.

W. Austin Roberts, Williamstown, Ky.

E. L. Barnham, Stamping Ground, Ky.

Resigned

O. L. Smith, Grove, Okla.

C. W. Campbell, Clayton, Okla.

A. R. Waters, Rochelle, Ga.

J. C. Hedrick, Guthrie, Ky.

A. O. Allison, Grahn, Ky.

W. S. Haley, Elizabeth, La.

C. W. Henderson, Royston, Ga.

S. S. Mathis, Fort Meade, Fla.

Leon Ivey, LeCompte, La.

R. K. Benfield, Waynesboro, Ga.

L. N. Cartledge, Perry, Fla.

W. A. Hoffman, Grover, N. C.

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There were 11 additions to the Hardy church during the Crusade revival. Nine of these came on profession of faith and baptism. Two came by letter. O. B. Beverly of Paynes is the pastor, and R. A. Eddleman of Clinton was visiting preacher.

Dr. Walter P. Binns, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Roanoke, Va., has been selected as the ninth president of William Jewell College and will assume his new duties July 1. Dr. John F. Herget has announced his retirement, effective on that date.

Rev. J. Morris Mulkey has been elected pastor's associate by the First Baptist Church, Ponca City, and is already on the field. He is a former student of O. B. U., served as pastor's associate of the First church, Miami, and as pastor of the church at Clarkdale, Missouri. He comes to Ponca City from the Central Baptist Seminary, Kansas City, Kansas, where he served as financial secretary and field representative. Brother Mulkey will direct the choir, serve as general mission superintendent, and direct the educational work of the church at Ponca City. (Editor's Note: Dr. A. F. Crittenden, formerly pastor at Brookhaven, is the pastor of the First Baptist Church, Ponca City.)

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"How's the world been treating you?"
"Very seldom."

Floyd Montgomery, Mt. Dora, Fla.
L. A. Stagg, Jr., Libson, La.
W. B. Hollingsworth, Omega, Ga.
Thornton Williams, Claxton, Ga.
Robert Smith, Norman Park, Ga.
A. B. Couch, Oakhurst, Decatur, Ga.
Ben Wofford, Calvary, Pine Bluff, Ark.

R. E. Sasser, Belfry, Ark.
Virgil M. Gardner, Lafayette, Ala.
Dr. Sam C. Reeves, First, Dothan, Ala.

Claud Hagood, Tuskegee, Ala.
Silas B. Cooper, 35th Ave., Birmingham, Ala.

Clyde C. Bryan, Concord, Tenn.
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Dear God,

You gave Your Son to save the world. You didn't count the cost in blood and sacrifice;

You gave Your Son that we might live. Dear Lord,
Can I do less?

I give my son that he might help save The things for which Your Son so nobly died.

If, when the victory's won,
Dear God,
And You send back my son,
I'll press him to my breast and
Thank you, Lord.
And if he goes to join Your Son,
I'll understand;
And through my tears, rejoice.

—Author Unknown.
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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. T. U.
ATTENDANCE

Olive Branch	39	29
Wallerville	23	
New Albany	401	133
Jackson First	690	
West Point First	396	130
Louisville First	174	50
Crystal Springs	193	111
Friendship (Lincoln)	54	43
Griffith Memorial Jackson	636	349

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Teacher—If you cut a pie into ten pieces, what would each be?

Boy—Mighty small.

Answers To
Know Your Bible

Feature on Page Twelve.

1. ("Mammon") "Mammon" comes from an Aramaic word meaning "riches" possibly derived from "aman," "to be firm or steadfast; to trust or put confidence in." The word means not only riches, but lust for gain, or avarice.

2. ("Two mules burden of earth"): When Naaman, the leper, was healed he wanted to take back to his home in Damascus "two mules burden of earth," so that he could continue his worship on the same earth upon which he was healed.

3. (Disciples): In the Latin, disciple means "student learner," or one who receives instruction from another, and, thereby, to practice the doctrines of his teacher.

4. ("A prayer of Moses, the man of God"): A noted Biblical writer contends the Psalm looks centuries back to the youth of the nation through a long history. If this statement dates back to the time of Moses, the words are very apt in Psalm 90:1-4, which reads, "Lord thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations," and, "A thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past."

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Soldier Center,
First Baptist Church,
Hattiesburg, Mississippi
March 17, 1943

Dr. D. A. McCall,
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Doctor McCall:

A young soldier has just left the Center and I am so happy over what he told me that I am passing it on to you. He came in early in the evening and I had a crowd in. He came over and said to me, 'I'll be back later before I go back to Camp.' At 10:30 he came in and I said 'Oh, you missed the party.' I saw he was not interested and said 'I have longed to come in and see you. You remember the talk we had and the tract you gave me.' He is a boxer and got quite a beating the night before, but assured me he was a Christian. I must have had my doubts, as before he left I gave him your tract "THE ONE WAY." Now after four weeks he tells me that he took several hours to read and study that tract and he said, 'He put me right.' I said you mean to tell me that it showed you the way of Salvation? He said—I mean just that. I was delighted, and taking him into the office I gave him a Gideon Testament as he did not have one. He had completely left my mind, as I am contacting so many, and this is just one evidence God permitted me to see of the seed being sown and I thought you would like to know, as you had a part in it.

Yours cordially,
MRS. G. C. BLACK."

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Dear Dr. Maddry:

We are having a terrible famine in the Sz Yip district of the province (Mr. Lake's old field) and thousands are starving. I am hard put to it to save the lives of the Christians—and oh, there are so many others I want to save.... Conditions are heartbreaking. The little children who are slowly dying of starvation all through these counties are pitiable indeed. Please get all the money for relief you can. We think it is terrible to be facing half a million starving people. What must it be like in Honan where it is reported that there are ten million of them?

Please help us in prayer.

Yours in Him,
MARGIE SHUMATE.

Pan-American Day

On April 14, 1890, the First International Conference of American States, meeting in Washington, adopted a resolution which resulted ultimately in the organization of the Pan-American Union. The beautiful headquarters building of the Union in Washington stands as a symbol, uniting the twenty-one republics of the Western Hemisphere. With all but one American republic having broken off relations with the Axis powers, we stand united as never before in history. The dream of the great patriot, Bolivar, liberator of five republics, is being realized before our eyes.

Southern Baptists have one hundred and eighty missionaries—ambassadors of Christ—co-operating with the national Baptist Conventions of seven of these republics: Mexico, Colombia, Chile, Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay and Brazil. Giving their lives, their talents, and above all else, the riches of Christ, they have exemplified the truest Good Neighbor Policy. Hundreds of churches, school, colleges, seminaries, training schools, and goodwill centers, stand as monuments of friendship. On this Pan-American Day we salute our brothers and sisters in the faith from the banks of the Rio Grande to the Straits of Magellan, praying for that day when God may bless all the Americas with a true knowledge of His Son.

—Everett Gill, Jr.
April 12, 1943.

A Lasting Monument

Writing from Brazil, Dr. A. Ben Oliver tells of the imperative need now being faced by the Baptist School in Belo Horizonte. He says in part:

"This noble school is being gradually strangled to death, and its days will be short indeed unless it can, in some way secure a building and increase its enrollment so as to pay running expenses. If there is a state in Brazil that merits a school, it is Minas, with nine million inhabitants. Our school there must be as 'a city set on a hill,' and the light that now flickers in Minas must be made to burst into flame that shall light all that are in the state. Ten or fifteen thousand dollars would save it. What a moment this would be to the spirit-

ual vision of some loyal Baptist or group of Baptists!"

Where There's a Will There's a Way

Necessity, that proverbial "mother of invention," has been at work in Antofagasta, Chile, and, under the ingenious hand of Mrs. J. L. Hart, the unused garage on their lot was transformed into a Sunday school building, a W. M. U. meeting place and a Goodwill Center. While this three-in-one invention solved a real problem, it created a new and gratifying one, for soon the crowd outgrew the garage and overflowed into the yard. Compelled to move into larger rented quarters, the work is still expanding in ever-widening circles of helpfulness.

Amid Poverty and Persecution

Spain, that land of one-time beauty and charm but now a country of poverty and persecution, is producing some of Christianity's brightest gems. Rev. Samuel Vila, the loyal Baptist pastor in Barcelona, after telling of the work being done by personal interviews and through the distribution of Christian literature, says:

"The largest number are converted through the services held in the homes." (Public services in the Baptist churches are forbidden)... "These services are finished sometimes as was that of the Apostles as recorded in Acts 4:1 (And as they spake unto the people, the priests... came upon them)... "The Spanish soil is deeply ploughed by suffering, and seed is ready for sowing. When will some American couple be able to come and help us?"

Laborers Are All Too Few

North Brazil, land of opportunity and need, has in the state of Sergipe only two pastors to carry the responsibility of leadership in eleven churches. Along the San Francisco river there is one lay preacher, the only Christian leader for several towns.

"Earnestly the Master calleth, 'Who will go and work today? Fields are white and harvests waiting, Who will bear the sheaves away?'

Relief Received

Rev. Archibald M. McMillan, formerly managing editor of The Commission and now serving with the Friends' Ambulance Unit in China, cabled a few days ago from Kutsing:

"Friends' Ambulance Unit doing splendid work relieving China's distress by delivering drugs to Southern Baptists and other hospitals. Appreciate past gifts and hope for more to continue service."

In a recent letter to the Foreign Mission Board, Miss Margaret Marchman of Nigeria writes:

Miss Gardner and I had a most interesting bush trip during Christmas to Ilesha in Ibaraba Land. We rode the twenty-odd miles on horses which the king of Shaki so generously lent us. Our hearts were stirred by the great need of Christ among thousands of the Ibaraba tribe, more so because no missionary of any board is working among them. Perhaps you have been there, and if so you know how friendly and hospitable the people are. They came in a large group to the church services, even though most of them are heathens (Mohammedan in name).... As we left, after almost a



Joseph Franklin Woodson, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Woodson, Tupelo, is a graduate of Mississippi College; graduate of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, and pastor at May's Lick, Ky., since his graduation from the Seminary in 1940. He is married to Sue Terry, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Terry, long time missionaries to Brazil, where she was born. He received his commission as First Lieutenant January 19 and entered the Army Chaplain School at Harvard University where he graduated April 3. He is now stationed at Atlantic City, N. J.

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THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION
AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Education in America was originally rooted in the Christian faith. The founders of our institutions of learning were moved by their belief in Christ, their altruism, and humanitarian outreach. They and their kind foresaw that the building of a human society of a higher order than could be found in the world generally was dependent upon the continuance of the Christian religion and the development in each succeeding generation of leaders who in faith, culture, and profession exemplified that which is best in that religion. How well they dreamed and planned is evidenced by the fact that when in the providence of God the American Colonies became the United States of America, the men upon whom fell the responsibility of this venture in national idealism were largely the product of this Christian culture. Although that time is distanced from us by many generations the lesson is an abiding one.

Even though this Republic officially recognizes no particular religion, there is no denying the fact that our form of government is Christian in its formation and development. It is what we would call the political result of wise and persistent Christian culture. Generations of Christian Education produced statesmen, economists, and philosophers who, in turn, so molded the fashion of citizens that they became such as framed the American Constitution, our Bill of Rights, and our fundamental civil laws, all of which are impregnated with Christian idealism and Biblical standards of justice. The facts pointed out in the foregoing excerpts from a WATCHMAN-EXAMINER editorial are striking ones.

Mississippi Baptists, realizing that the home is the cornerstone of the nation, and that the character of its week's stay among them, the people said, 'But when are you coming to "sit down" among us?' We pray that when help arrives, after the war, some among us may go sit down among them."

COLLEGE STUDENTS SHOULD
VOLUNTEER

The need for consecrated, talented workers in Southern Baptist churches is the call to volunteer summer service. Many churches, drained of their youth by the war, present a missionary challenge. College students and graduates, school teachers, business and professional young people and others, plan to offer one or more weeks of their vacation time.

Summer service opportunities may be told at the B. S. U. Council meeting, at the noonday prayer service, before Sunday school classes and college unions and through church announcements. Personal testimonies by those who have already served will be most effective.

The Team Plan is perhaps the best way to serve. Two or more students working together gives added force and significance to the effort. Many will be willing to go anywhere in their state. State leaders often use teams of volunteers in their state program of work. New workers should be associated with experienced leaders. Careful training in groups before engaging in an ambitious study course program is the best guarantee of success.

Clinical Study should be arranged to provide training for those who wish to participate in the summer program. Lack of adequate preparation invites failure. A special time during the month should be provided for those who wish to learn how to take a religious census and rightly use the information secured.—Wm. Hall Preston, 161 8th Ave., N., Nashville.

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You are living and enjoying the pleasures of life. Your fellowman has passed to the Great Beyond, leaving his children behind. What is your duty to these little ones? Remember them by making an offering to the Baptist Orphanage on Mother's Day.

On Sunday, May 2, one minute speeches concerning the Mother's Day offering for the Orphanage should be made in every church by the pastor, Sunday school superintendent or Orphanage representative. Then, on Sunday, May 9, Mother's Day, another strong appeal should be made just before the offering is taken.

Defense Bonds for the Baptist Orphanage! Have you thought of this? A friend wrote to know if we would like to have Defense Bonds. He was prompted to make this inquiry by the fact that he was being urged to put 10% of his income in Bonds. He was already putting 10% in the work of the church and felt he was not able to go another ten. We are delighted to have the Bonds. So some of his tithe was invested in a Bond and sent to the Orphanage. Have your Bonds made payable to Board of Trustees of the Mississippi Baptist Orphanage, Jackson, Mississippi. Defend America now and through the children defend the future! Buy Bonds for the Baptist Orphanage.

Citizens is determined at the mother's knee, are planning for the June offering to the Blue Mountain College Endowment. They know that the first objective of Blue Mountain College is to train women for Christian homemaking.

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Churches, remember Blue Mountain in June.

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